

Faculty Assembly Executive Council (FAEC) Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2012, 1:30-2pm

Present: Jim Morley, Jillian Weiss, Donna Crawley, Peggy Greene, Max Goldberg, Beba Shamash

Absent: Elaine Risch, Alex Olbrecht, Sam Mustafa

Secretary: Rebecca Root

1. Minutes of the last FAEC meeting approved.

2. Reports

Pres. Morley briefly reported on May BoT meeting. VP Weiss briefly reported on meeting with administration regarding recently submitted Middle States report.

3. Topics for Today's Meeting with the President's Cabinet

a. Pres. Morley would like to ask...

What is happening with the Constituent Assembly idea?

When construction projects are going on, the faculty rarely sees the full plans. More transparency and consultation are needed. Similarly, we'd like to know what is happening with the Academic Commons.

Faculty Presidents at other institutions typically give a brief address at graduation, whereas at our graduation FA President and faculty in general have very little role.

b. Jill would like to ask...

Are there any significant developments likely this summer?

What are the plans for mandatory academic advising? (Is this being phased in with sophomores, or will it apply to all students?)

What's going on with construction in G wing? Are there any changes to plans? What about the trailers? How will we deal with sound issues?

What's happening with handbook revisions? Last we heard, some reorganization was being considered, as were some changes and some issues raised like whether committees will be required to request internal letters of support as well as external letters. Judith Jeney's office is also considering the issue of revising the criteria for Associate and Full Professors.

Are there any budget issues we should be aware of? When will we know if any major changes are being considered?