Minutes of FEC-6 March 21, 2007 9:15 - 10:00 a.m. Government Conference Room

Present: Lisa Aronson, Tim Burns, Dan Curley (scribe), Jennifer Delton, Dan Hurwitz, Paty Rubio

1. Minutes of February 28, 2007.

Approved.

2. Round Three Elections.

Lisa agreed to run Round Three of elections for CAFR, CC, EMAC, and TRB.

3. Faculty Caucus.

It was decided that the Faculty Caucus (i.e., faculty-only meeting) scheduled for March 23 should be canceled if no faculty submit a viable topic by Thursday the 22nd.

Dan H. agreed that cancellation of the meeting was in order, but noted that FEC would have to bring two topics before the Faculty at some point in the future, be it at a caucus or some other venue: (1) the role of service vis-à-vis promotion, and (2) the dire implications for benefits in the BOT Observers reports. On the latter topic, it was suggested that FEC or IPPC invite Mike West to offer his view of what's down the road, preferably on paper.

Tim noted that a faculty member suggested the goings-on at Student Academic Services (viz. the recent departures of Barb Opitz and Cynthia Guile) as a topic for the faculty meeting. Dan C. responded that he considered this topic but ultimately decided against it, since such a meeting would in his opinion either (1) require either substantial participation by administrators or (2) without them degenerate into rumor-mongering. In the subsequent discussion it was agreed that CEPP, which is reviewing the Office of Student Academic Services, should be allowed to do its work. Concerns from the Faculty at large about SAS will be relayed to CEPP.

On the issue of Faculty Caucuses, Dan proposed that he would look at the operating code and come back with language that would allow for greater flexibility in scheduling these meetings.