



Intercampus Faculty Council

Regular Meeting

March 4, 2022, 10:00AM – 2:00PM

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order, Review Meeting Minutes, Opening Remarks

IFC members discussed expectations surrounding IFC meetings and class schedules. Previously, IFC members were expected to cancel class if necessary to attend. Given increased virtual learning, this is not a requirement, though IFC is still expected to be a top priority. IFC members discussed the type of information to be disclosed in meeting minutes to maintain the confidentiality of the IFC's business.

Subcommittee on Shared Governance

The IFC received an update from the subcommittee, which distributed a survey to Faculty Council/Senate Executive Committees modeled after the AAUP Shared Governance Assessment Tool. The survey officially closes on Friday, March 4 at close of business. The IFC discussed the importance of developing a white paper that is focused on actionable outcomes, as well as the importance of a guide for faculty members and an educational strategy for administrators. The subcommittee meets next on Wednesday, March 16.

Subcommittee on Criteria-Based Salary Reductions

The IFC received an update from the subcommittee, which developed recommended changes to Executive Order No. 6 (CRR 320.030, Delegation of Authority, Section F). The group discussed the recommended changes in depth and proposed some additional clarification and modification to the language of the policy. Updated language was provided to the full IFC for final review and approval. The subcommittee is scheduled to meet again on Wednesday, March 23, as needed.

A separate discussion focused on the importance of adequate training for department chairs as it relates to understanding faculty policies outlined in the CRRs. At minimum, a manual containing these importance policies would be helpful. UM Academic Affairs expressed openness to exploring the ideas further.

Missouri Online

IFC members received additional information relating to leadership changes at Missouri Online and outlined some basic priorities as it relates to the direction of eLearning at the UM System.

Information Technology Update

The IFC was joined by Beth Chancellor, UM Vice President for Information Technology; and Becky Fowler, UM Chief Information Security Officer, to discuss upcoming changes as it relates to IT. There was significant discussion about the impact of IT changes on faculty members and the need for clear and advance communication prior to changes being implemented. Topics included university email as well as access to administrative rights for faculty and staff.

Open Forum

The group discussed the structure of the Office of Academic Affairs and the nature and frequency of engagement between the UM President and the IFC.