Minutes of the Governance Council

September 15, 2016

Members present: Chauhan, Dean, Duffy, Jackson, Lorenz, Vovchuk

1. Nicole Magaldi brought the Council's charges for this year. The only charge other than standing charges was to present revisions for the Emeritus Status proposal, specifically regarding the appeals process.

Dean noted that the Council sent a revised version of the resolution to the Senate Executive Committee last year and had not heard back from them. Duffy said that it was requested of the Council to have something to put on the agenda for the next Senate meeting, so any changes needed to be decided by the Council today.

Magaldi wished the Council good luck with their discussion and departed.

2. The Council reviewed the proposed changes to the Senate bylaws that were sent to the Senate leaders last year.

Jackson moved to revise changes to the bylaws that would send appeals to the Governance Council for consideration. Chauhan suggested further simplifying the modifications by eliminating the need for the department to notify the Senate Executive Committee by letter and eliminating the six-month window for a faculty to self-nominate. After these changes were made, sections 2a and 2b were combined for simplification.

The changes were approved by the Council. Vovchuk volunteered to make a flowchart to accompany the presentation of the changes, in the hopes that a visual guide will help with clarity and understanding.

- 3. Dean and Jackson were nominated to co-chair the committee, and were unanimously approved.
- 4. The Council revised and approved the Emerita Resolution for Tirado.
- 5. The next meeting of the Governance Council is scheduled for Thursday, October 20 at 12:30 pm in the Paterson Room of the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Vovchuk