

FACULTY FORUM MINUTES

April 28, 2017

Bidgood 310

Dr. Schnee called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm in Bidgood 310.

Welcome from Dean Palan– Dean Palan welcomed the faculty members to the Faculty Forum and shared information about the new building, stating that we hope to have the programming phase completed by May 15, 2017. Dean Palan also informed the faculty that we have 28 faculty offers that are signed and that we have requested 23 additional lines for next year. Dean Palan also mentioned that we are close to finalizing the two new Associate Deans positions as well as the Director of Diversity Position.

1. **AC 148 Course Proposal** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the AC 148 proposal. A motion was made by Dr. William Jackson and seconded by Dr. James Cochran. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments, with there being none the faculty members were asked to mark their ballots.
(Vote: Approve- 94 Disapprove-2 Abstain-1)
2. **MS Degree in Business Analytics** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the Masters Degree in Business Analytics Proposal. A motion was made by Dr. Mittenthal and was seconded by Dr. Ford. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments, with there being none the faculty members were asked to mark their ballots. (Vote: Approve-88 Disapprove-7 Abstain-2)
3. **Initial Appointment with Tenure Policy** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the Initial Appointments with Tenure Policy. A motion was made by Dr. Jackson and was seconded by Dr. Mothersbaugh. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments, with there being none the faculty members were asked to mark their ballots. (Vote: Approve-84 Disapprove-9 Abstain-4)
4. **Non-Tenure Track (NTRC) Faculty Policy** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the Non-Tenure Track (NTRC) Faculty Policy. A motion was made by Dr. Ford and seconded by Prof. Meyer. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments. A question was raised if there is a University incentive to approve this policy. Dean Palan answered that the policy provides recognition of the NTRC Faculty as well as more security with promotion. It was also mentioned that all colleges have been asked to create a NTRC policy. Dr. Jackson called the question and was seconded by Dr. Mothersbaugh, with unanimous verbal approval from the Faculty, Dr. Schnee asked the faculty to mark their ballots. (Vote: Approve-91 Disapprove-5 Abstain-1)
5. **Appointment and Reviewing Endowed Positions Policy** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the Appointment and Reviewing Endowed Positions Policy. A motion was made by Dr. Williams and seconded by Dr. Baker. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments, with

- there being none the faculty members were asked to mark their ballots. (**Vote: Approve-91 Disapprove-2 Abstain-4**)
6. **Faculty Teaching Load Policy** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the Faculty Teaching Load Policy. A motion was made by Dr. Cochran and seconded by Dr. Jackson. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments, with there being none the faculty were asked to write in the policy at the bottom of their ballots as it had been accidentally left off. (**Vote: Approve-90 Disapprove-5 Abstain-2**)
 7. **Release Time and Indirect Cost Recovery Policy** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the Release Time and Indirect Cost Recovery Policy. A motion was made by Dr. Ford and was seconded by Prof. Meyer. A question was raised if the 10% course buy out fee included buying out of research time. Dr. Halbesleben answered that those buying out of course are typically already generating external dollars and would have already bought out of the research. Dr. Mothersbaugh called the question and was seconded by Dr. Williams, with unanimous approval from the faculty, Dr. Schnee asked the faculty members to mark their ballots. (**Vote: Approve-84 Disapprove-12 Abstain-1**)
 8. **Culverhouse Research Center Policy** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the Culverhouse Research Center Policy. A motion was made to accept the policy by Dr. Jackson and was seconded by Dr. Houston. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments, with there being none the faculty members were asked to mark their ballots. (**Vote: Approve-93 Disapprove-3 Abstain-2**)
 9. **Culverhouse Faculty Forum Bylaws Changes** - Dr. Schnee asked for a motion to accept the revised Culverhouse Faculty Forum Bylaws. A motion was made by Dr. Baker and was seconded by Dr. Ford. Dr. Schnee asked for questions or comments. A question was raised that if the major issue for this document was about the changing of the representatives. This question was answered that the changing of representatives was one small part of the bylaw changes with a larger goal of making the FEB more efficient. Dr. Mothersbaugh called the question and was seconded by Dr. Houston, with unanimous approval from the faculty, Dr. Schnee asked the faculty members to mark their ballots. (**Vote: Approve-92 Disapprove-3 Abstain-2**)

Dr. Schnee then asked if there were any questions, comments or announcements to be made.

Dr. Williams mentioned that the AACSB review is coming up and he will begin meetings in the upcoming months through September.

Dr. Palan informed the Faculty members that the name of the College has been raised as an issue. While the college is called "Culverhouse College of Commerce" it has never officially been named that and is still the "Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration". Dr. Palan mentioned that in the near future a survey would be set up to determine what actual name we want and once that is decided the college will need to go through the proper channels to have the name officially changed.

Dr. Halbesleben then thanked Dr. Schnee for being the Chair of the Faculty Forum for 2016-2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 pm.