

**CNM Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
March 28, 2014**

- Attendance - A quorum was present.
 - Michael Crane, FS Chair
 - Judith Tomasson
 - Janna Goodyear
 - Amy Rademacher
 - Maxine Freed
 - Barbara Bateman
 - Roderigo
 - Rachel Black
 - Andy Russell
 - Steve Glass
 - Chris Burns
 - Kathy Kaestner
 - Robin Ramsey - CCC Chair (Guest)
 - Elsie Hall - Curriculum Coordinator (Guest)

- Call to order: Michael called the meeting to order at 1:05PM

- Agenda review and approval: Rachel moved to approve the agenda; Amy seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Approval of minutes from February 2014: Michael had not completed transcribing Janet's notes from February, so the minutes approval was deferred to the next

- CCC report: Robin Ramsey
 - Robin introduced Elsie Hall, Curriculum Coordinator
 - Robin summarized changes planned for the 2014-2015 catalog (17 new programs, 74 new courses, 500 changes)
 - Robin described new programs and courses by school
 - SAGE: 1 new course
 - BIT: 3 new programs, 7 new courses
 - CHSS: 7 new programs, 15 new courses (several TLOL courses for CNM faculty)
 - HWPS: 5 new programs, 46 new courses
 - Requested CCC provisions for 2014-2015 catalog
 - Catalog language for the math degree needs modification to clarify that some courses do not transfer to UNM Math and Physics
 - Math 0550 deactivation flyer for students
 - IT 0850 and 1010 reduced to 3 credit hours, with associated faculty schedule adjustments and hiring of ITs

- Andy asked if the FS considered a question about college service
 - He noted that the new P/T self-assessment includes questions about college service, which is not a P/T requirement and is inappropriate for the P/T self-assessment tool
 - Michael observed that the new P/T self-assessment tool was not discussed with faculty before its implementation
 - Andy advised that FS should be aware and involved in the P/T assessment initiative
 - Judith asked about response rate for statistical validity
 - Michael noted that the 10% minimum response rate necessary has already been achieved
 - Chris suggested that Michael send one or more reminder emails
 - Michael will post the survey results on the FS Blackboard website
 - Chris indicated that survey results will feed into future professional development opportunities
 - P/T faculty perceptions of teaching in isolation are widespread
 - Michael shared initial responses from the F/T faculty survey
 - 50 of approximately 350 F/T faculty responded
 - Only one F/T faculty felt reflection on own performance was not valuable
 - College service was rated very low
 - Judith observed that numerical rankings dissuade faculty for valuing
 - Chris noted that college service does not contribute to teaching excellence
 - Discussions with Associate Dean ranked second for F/T
 - Rachel questioned the statistical significance of scores for college service (low) and professional development (higher), and opined that college service contributes to professional development
 - Andy suggested that faculty feel less appreciated for college service than for professional development
 - Chris agreed that college service is important, but noted that professional development is under-appreciated and expected
 - Rachel observed that the meaning of “college service” is poorly understood by faculty; Chris suggested that the name itself is confusing
 - Michael recalled that his discussions with administration about college service confirmed its mandatory nature
 - Michael expressed pleasure at survey response rates, and requested FS concurrence with his plan to involve sociology and psychology faculty in evaluating the survey results
 - Rachel suggested that the experts might help craft follow up questions’
 - FS concurred with Michael’s recommendation
 - Michael and Chris indicated that faculty discussions should begin about the aspects of a professional/teaching review

- FS members were asked by Michael to research professional review processes at other institutions
- April Senate Elections
 - Michael is in his last term as FS Chair
 - Judith is interested in taking over as FS Chair, and Chris supported the nomination
 - Judith has a number of ideas for FS; Maxine asked if she will post a position statement on Blackboard, and Judith agreed
 - A new Vice-Chair must be elected if Judith is elected Chair; Chris suggested she would consider the office
 - Michael and Judith discussed the “advisory” role of FS, and noted that efforts must continue to expand the FS influence with administration
- Michael adjourned the meeting at 2:40PM