CLAS Faculty Council
Minutes
Thursday, September 6, 2007, 9:35 a.m.
219 Dauer Hall (Ruth McQuown Room)

Elected members present: Nora Alter, Susan DeFrance, Jean Larson, John Leavey, Carol Murphy, Ronald Randles, Samuel Stafford, Donald Stehouwer Kenneth Wagener, Ann Wehmeyer, John Yelton, Barbara Zsembik

Ex-officio members present: Chris Snodgrass, Alan Dorsey

Elected members absent:

Student members absent: undergraduate and graduate student members have not yet been selected

John Leavey called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. The minutes were approved as amended.

John Leavey reported on interaction with Joe Glover. Three items of note were

1. the OE budget (an algorithm for its distribution is sought)
2. distribution of hiring lines (those for this year have been distributed; additional lines, if any, would be set by the president.)
3. preparation for the dean search

A special committee to advise the president in the dean search needs to be elected, as mandated by the CLAS Constitution. Other groups which can be expected to have input are the CLAS Dean Search Committee assembled by the provost, CLAS chairs and directors, the CLAS Assembly and the CLAS Faculty Council.

Alan Dorsey informed the Faculty Council that the CLAS Finance Committee is working on the question about Operating Expense and recommended the Council focus on preparing for the Dean Search.

The Faculty Council passed a motion recommending the following amendment to the CLAS Constitution:

The balloting procedure in Article IV C 1 be amended to read “electronic” in place of “by mail”.

Chris Snodgrass reported that Jed Keesling is the parliamentarian.

John Leavey said that at the meeting with the dean next week, Joe Glover would give a brief State of the College report. Suggestions for additional agenda items were discussed.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Larson, Associate Chair