

Academic Assembly
Special Meeting for Faculty Handbook Draft Consideration

April 20, 2015

2:05 – 3:35pm, ADMN 321

MINUTES

Present: David Arnesen, Sarah Bee, Patricia Buchsel, Terri Clark, Brooke Coleman, Lynn Deeken, Bill Ehmann, Trish Henley, Mike Huggins, Arun Iyer, Michael Kinnamon, Kate Koppelman, Michael Ng, Bill O'Connell, Katherine Raichle, Roshanak Roshandel Heath Spencer, John Strait, Dan Washburn

Minutes taken by Rosa Hughes

- I. Section I.B.2.
 - A. Would like to see clarification of what strategic priorities are
 - B. Strategic priorities – strategic planning process as undertaken by the university every five years or so
 - C. Difficult to pinpoint because these will shift depending on many changing outside factors
 - D. No edit
- II. Section I.B.5.
 - A. Department Chairpersons evaluation are described, but the Provost and President do not have a similar process described
 - B. Evaluation for Provost and President should be described, in part as related to the strategic planning as noted above
 - C. What would be the purpose of the review? AcA does not have authority over these positions, so would be more like a general survey
 - D. Can also request this separately – develop the process before it is codified in the handbook
 - E. If this is part of university governance, the two points are notice of review and opportunity for feedback
 - F. This should be looked at through a systematic AcA process and then amended to the handbook when deemed appropriate
 - G. Motion to remove the word “direct” and replace with “an” on page 10
 - 1. Approved with no oppositions or abstentions
 - 2. This leaves the door open for AcA to develop these processes and amend document
- III. Faculty Defined and Scholarly Activity and Professional Development
 - A. Faculty defined includes a very broad description of all faculty, whereas the scholarly activity section states that faculty engage in scholarship and professional development – issue for NTT faculty who are not necessarily evaluated on these criteria
 - B.

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- C. Motion to adjourn and begin the next meeting with this section
 - 1. Approved with no oppositions or abstentions