

Ozarka College

Faculty Council Committee Minutes

November 4, 2008

- I. The meeting was called order by Jeremy at 11:00 am in MV101. Members present were Brad, Cindy, Tracie, Jeremy, Stephen, Trish, and Mary Ellen. Guest faculty present were Michael Orf and JoAnna Fulbright.
- II. Minutes from the previous meeting were presented for approval. They were unanimously approved.
- III. Old Business
 - Academic Integrity Policy – Chris Lorch is still working on providing a draft for the committee. Jeremy recommended that we set a date for completion of this draft. Members agreed and the date is set for November 18. Discussion was conducted regarding putting this policy in the new Faculty Handbook. Members felt that it should be included in the handbook and each syllabi.
 - Advisor Checklist – questions were asked regarding who is to complete this document. JoAnna pointed out that each advisor should complete this document after visiting with their advisee.
 - Faculty Handbook – Michael stated that a rough draft of this document should be available to everyone in a couple of weeks.
- IV. Committee Reports
 - a. Curriculum: Michael has been appointed Chairman of this committee. He stated that two new classes will be offered Spring 2009: Surfing the Internet and Microsoft Office. These are 8 week classes and are geared for 60+ age group.
 - b. Student Affairs: No report. This committee is being reorganized through the Student Affairs Task Force. The Task Force is proposing a student government organization at each campus with president, vice-president and secretary in hopes there will be more participation from students. They will all meet one time a semester, with each campus government meeting regularly throughout the year. There will be a Faculty Advisor on each campus on rotational basis.
 - c. Professional Development: No report. An email will be sent out after any meeting.
- V. New Business
 - a. General Education Goals – (located on page 90 in the Student Handbook). Jeremy stated that a revisional draft will be sent out by November 18. Michael stated

that some of the verbiage will be changed, such as using “outcomes” instead of “goals or objectives”. This is in preparation for the NCA visit. Also, they are working on measuring these “outcomes”. Outcomes must be measurable.

b. Reward System – JoAnna presented this concept to the members. She stated that it would be based on faculty who go above and beyond regular duties, innovations, and/or factors that faculty can think of. The reward could be anything, but some suggestions have been mini grants and a ranking system. Monetary rewards would probably be very limited due to funding, so other rewards will have to be provided. A major concern expressed by the committee members was the possibility of leaving out “quiet” faculty members—ones who do a lot of extra work/activities but who do it privately or “behind the scenes”. This subject will be discussed more in the future.

c. Learning College – Will be discussed at the next meeting.

VI. With no further discussion, the Council adjourned at 12:00. The next Council meeting will be December 2 at 11:00 in the CV rooms of each campus.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Conley, Secretary