AS&E Faculty Meeting, Wednesday, March 25, 2015

Schedule and Location

Wednesday, March 25, 2015, 12:00 PM – 1:20 PM
Coolidge Room, Ballou Hall
Light lunch, coffee, and water served at 11:30 AM

Agenda

Announcements
AS&E Committee Election Results
   Ioannis Evrigenis, Chair of Committee on Committees

Old Business

Discussion and Vote on TCU Senate’s “Indigenous People’s Day” Proposal
   Members of the AS&E Executive Committee

New Business

Discussion and Vote on EPC Proposal for New Credit Assignment and Graduation Requirements.
   Montserrat Teixidor I Bigas and Anne Mahoney, Co-chairs of Educational Policy Committee

Discussion of Proposed Process for Interdisciplinary Tenure
   Vida Johnson, Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee

Adjournment

For Reference
*Please print all attachments and bring them with you to the meeting; a limited number of hard copies will be available at the meeting.

- Briefing Information
- TCU Senate Proposal on “Indigenous People’s Day”
- EPC Proposal for New Credit Assignment and Graduate Requirements
- T&P Proposal on Interdisciplinary Tenure

Listings of future faculty meetings as well as the agenda and attachments for this meeting are online at http://ase.tufts.edu/faculty/meetings/.
Briefings

Announcements

AS&E Committee Election Results
Ioannis Evrigenis, Chair of Committee on Committees, will announce the results of the Spring 2015 AS&E Election process. Nominees and their information can be found here: http://ase.tufts.edu/faculty/committees/elections/index.htm.

Old Business

TCU Senate Resolution to change the name of Columbus Day to Indigenous People’s Day

Speakers: Members of the AS&E Executive Committee

Summary: On September 28, 2014, the Tufts Community Union Senate passed a resolution urging Tufts University to recognize Columbus Day as Indigenous People’s Day on any calendar distributed by the university. After initially discussing the issue at the November 12, 2014 AS&E Faculty Meeting, the AS&E Executive Committee drafted a resolution (included below) for consideration by AS&E faculty members on February 4, 2015. At that meeting, the AS&E Faculty voted to table the resolution until the March 25, 2015 AS&E Faculty Meeting.

Key issues: The TCU Student Senate has approved the following proposal and asked the Executive Committee to submit it, on their behalf, to the AS&E Faculty for a vote; the students state that similar proposals have been adopted by many universities:

Resolved, that the holiday currently known as “Columbus Day” be henceforth known as “Indigenous People’s Day” on the AS&E Academic Calendar and in all AS&E correspondence.

Action Required: Discussion and vote.

Further Information: Please review the attached Resolution and Justification document that outlines the TCU Senate’s position on this issue.

New Business

Discussion and Vote on EPC Proposal for New Credit Assignment and Graduation Requirements.

Speakers: Montserrat Teixidor I Bigas and Anne Mahoney, Co-chairs of Educational Policy Committee

Summary: EPC proposes to revise the way we assign credit values to classes to ensure that our degrees (especially in A&S) meet federal standards.

Key Issues: We have a document setting out the two proposals, attached for review. We are also working on a FAQ to go along with it; which is also enclosed with the agenda.
Action Required: Discussion and vote on initial proposal.

Further Information: Please visit the "Academic Credit Committee" public Trunk project site for even more documentation:

Discussion of Proposed Process for Interdisciplinary Tenure

Speaker: Vida Johnson, Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee

Summary: T&P proposal for Interdisciplinary Tenure (see attachment)

Key Issues: Role of second department or program

Action Required: Discussion.

Further Information: Please see the attached document for the proposed language that would be added to Part 2 of Statement 11. A vote on the proposal will take place at the AS&E Faculty Meeting on April 29, 2015.