

Faculty Senate Minutes
8/2/99
Petroleum Conf Room 3 pm

Attendees: Butch Gerbrandt, Larry Smith, Celia Schahczenski, Curtis Link, Mary MacLaughlin,
Don Stierle, Dan Bradley
Recorder: Larry Smith

New Business

Handbook Revisions:

Don has distributed all sections except 209. There was a consensus that we hope to finalize a draft before the first faculty meeting. It was agreed that only the instructional faculty will be involved in approving their changes at the faculty meeting. Don plans to present the document to the faculty then. His effort will cease after the meeting. Sections relating to the Bureau and COT will be addressed by those units separately, and inserted into the handbook.

Don said he has received some comments, but requested more input. The need for evaluation of part-time teachers was discussed. Dan suggested evaluating them after the first semester, and having Ed Johnson keep the materials on file. Others suggested that department heads should coordinate the evaluations, like they do the rest in their department. Celia suggested that "Appendix A" and the student evaluations may suffice for part-timers. Henry related (via Don) that peer evaluations should be required for all. Some level of standardization of student evaluation forms will likely be required. People will meet later to go over some of the documents.

Academic Rank: Dan mentioned that there has been some discussion (in Missoula) about having employees that have academic rank, but no teaching responsibilities. On request, a list is currently being put together that lists individuals' rank status and teaching responsibility.

Next Meeting:

August 24.