

Notes from FAC meeting of January 27, 2015 (2:00 pm)

In attendance: Greg Hancock (chair), Bill Cooke, Michael Deschenes, John Eisele, Catherine Forestell, Barbette Spaeth, and Dean Kate Conley.

- 1) A brief discussion was held concerning the schedule of this (Spring, 2015) semester's future Arts & Science meetings.
- 2) Barbette provided the committee with an update from meetings of the Best Practices for Tenure and Promotion committee.
- 3) The status of teaching evaluation forms from students was discussed along with issues related to those evaluations. Bill Cooke agreed to compose a rough draft of the charge to be issued to a yet to be formed committee to assess the current teaching evaluation process.
- 4) The issue of maintenance of current memberships of various committees, along with responsibilities assigned to each, was discussed and it was agreed that this area was in need of improvement.
- 5) Dean Conley apprised the committee on the status of the Prestigious Award Policy.
- 6) The topic of a policy determining the amount of time allowable for a new faculty member to complete his/her dissertation after accepting a faculty position was addressed.
- 7) The meeting closed following a brief discussion of the current emeritus professor policy.