Minutes
College of Education Faculty Council Meeting
December 17, 2015
1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
COED 205

Members Attending: Lyndon Abrams, Cindy Baughan (Secretary), Ian Binns, Kristen Beach (by phone), Heather Coffey, Sandra Dika, Sejal Foxx, Susan Harden, Rebecca Shore (Chair)
Absent: Drew Polly (Vice-chair)

1. Call to Order
   This was a special meeting of the council called at the request of Dean McIntyre.

2. Report from the Dean’s Office (provided by Dean McIntyre)
   a. The Dean reported on the following items related to the reduction in teaching for research application process:
      i. Numerical data related to the process and outcomes
         a) 25 faculty members applied for a reduced teaching load in April 2015
         b) 17 faculty members granted a reduced teaching load during the May 2015 decision process by the Dean and Department Chairs.
         c) At this time, no additional faculty members were granted a reduced load as a result of a request for reconsideration to the Dean or Department Chair between May-September, 2015. Three were granted a reduced load without request after discussion and consensus was reached between the Dean and the respective Department Chair.
         d) At this time, it is unknown how many additional faculty have submitted an official appeal to the CRC (December 2015/ January 2016)
         e) 29 faculty members will move from a 2-2 (de facto) to a 3-2 (de jure) teaching load in August 2016.
         f) Projected numbers of faculty under each of the following teaching load categories for 2016 include only tenured or tenure-track faculty (not including department chairs), and do not include grant buy-outs or other temporary releases.
            i.) Less than 2-2= 6
            ii.) 2-2= 22
            iii.) 3-2= 35
            iv.) Greater then 3-2= 12
      ii. Process and contextual information related to the reduction in teaching for research application process and outcomes
         a) Decisions about which journals were classified as high quality or not high quality were made by the Dean and respective Department Chairs with guidance from the US News and World Report list as needed.
         b) In addition to the criteria to be met by individual faculty members, no other goals at the College or department levels not indicated in the policy document were considered in the decision making process.
iii. There is work underway to develop a Faculty Fellows program for major engagement projects in the community. Participation in this program could translate into course releases.

iv. The Dean encouraged the council to continue discussions related to equity in credit for dissertation support.

3. At the Dean’s request, council members will share the above information with their respective departments during the February department meetings.

4. Adjournment
   Meeting adjourned 1:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the Faculty Council is scheduled for February 24, 2016, 10-11:30 am.