National Capital Region Faculty Association Meeting
Wednesday, February 2, 2011

Present:  
Northern Virginia Center (Room 351) – Glenn Moglen, President; Adil Godrej, Past-President; Pam Brott, Secretary; Marcie Boucouvalas; Mahmood Khan; Melony Price-Rhodes; Sherry Fontaine, Director NVC
Alexandria – Nick Stone; Henry Hollander, Treasurer
by phone – Barbara Hoopes

Call to order:  2:05 p.m. by Glenn Moglen, President NCRFA

1. Introductions – Individual introductions were made for those present at the Northern Virginia Center, Alexandria, and by phone.

2. Minutes from December 1, 2010 – moved by Adil and seconded by Melony: APPROVED


4. Update on Visit by Dean DePauw and Dr. Jack Finney on January 20, 2011
   a. Meetings occurred with Program Directors, faculty, and pre-tenure faculty.
   b. Dr. Finney provided updates on current initiatives and issues: input for Faculty Handbook, mentoring new faculty, status of Virginia retirement, plans for hiring.

5. Provost MacNamee, Associate Provost Smith, and Dean DePauw to visit in March
   a. ACTION ITEM: Sherry will offer March 2 or March 16 as dates for visit.

6. Recent Snow Experience
   a. No liability to professors when Center closes.
   b. Legal counsel: reasonable closing based on other universities (e.g., GMU).
   c. There may be opportunities to us distance learning technology to hold classes.
   d. Sherry will be looking at the weather related information from GMU and NOVA.
   e. Current policy will continue: decision by 6:00 a.m. for opening; decision by 2:00 p.m. if closing for 4:00 p.m. classes; if NVC is closed, Alexandria closes
   f. QUESTION: is there a way to find out if there is power at NVC when the Center is closed?

7. And Other Business (AOB)
   a. Glenn: CGS&P – Tom Grizzard is stepping down; Larry French is alternate.
   b. ACTION ITEM: Glenn will find out of Larry will finish the term.
Glenn: NCR representation on P/T committees – follows departmental/College policy; importance of advocating for NCR faculty members who are being reviewed for P/T. Agenda item for March meeting.

Melony: higher education plan from Governor: passed today; generally aimed at undergraduate education in state universities to increase enrollment (100,000 over next 15 years), more in-state students accepted.

Nick: faculty feedback on research in region – no clear message back from faculty based on limited feedback from first survey, issues and policy, who should look at this – through Faculty Association?

ACTION ITEM: Nick will send out another email to gather information from faculty.

Last Lecture: Need to identify speaker; to be held on Reading Day (May 5).

ACTION ITEM: Glenn will send out a call to nominate a speaker.

8. Regular meeting time for spring semester

Agreed on 1:30-3:00 p.m.

9. Adjourned at 3:20 p.m. – moved by Mahmood and seconded by Adil: PASSED