National Capital Region Faculty Association Meeting
Wednesday, April 6, 2011

Present: Northern Virginia Center (Room 351) – Glenn Moglen, President; Pam Brott, Secretary; Tom Grizzard; Larry French; Sherry Fontaine
Alexandria – Kitty Hancock, President-Elect
by phone – Barbara Hoopes

Call to order: 1:30 p.m. by Glenn Moglen, President NCRFA

1. Introductions

2. Minutes from March 2, 2011 – ACCEPTED AS CIRCULATED

3. Meeting with Dean DePauw (via Polycom)
   - Space policy for NCR – no progress has been made and rests in the hands of the Provost.
   - Improvement of distance teaching facilities – not be limited by hardware as we are currently. Need improved cameras with higher resolution and higher resolution for white boards. Need video conferencing upgrades. Glenn and Sherry are on Distance Task Force.
     - ACTION ITEM: Proposal to Karen DePauw. Considerations: are we moving towards online courses? Is synchronous being supported? Is university going to stay at 30,000 enrollment or will enrollment grow? Are there accreditation issues?
     - ACTION ITEM: Ask Paul Knox to meet with us.

   - Streamlining Graduate School Paperwork -- Making sure adviser can gain access to advisee information (e.g., Plan of Study). Electronic signatures – hopefully by fall for ETD and scheduling. This is an internal problem and FERPA concerns. Dean DePauw will keep us posted.

   - University position on Virginia Retirement Plan – Has been taken care of via State legislature. ORP is being maintained. Dean DePauw directs us to asking Provost about this issue.

   - Resources for Faculty (e.g., students with mental illness). Counseling resources are needed; Marriage & Family (MFT) Program and Counselor Education (EDCO) Program cannot provide the needed services. How to staff and provide resources to students?

   - NCR workshop on mentoring for Promotion & Tenure. Jack Finney is trying to bring meetings to NCR.
     - ACTION ITEM: Ask Jack Finney what is happening with scheduling these workshops.

4. Schedule Provost McNamee – Tuesday, April 19, 2011 @ 3:30 p.m.
   - ACTION ITEM: Sherry will send out announcement.

5. Treasurer’s report – current balance $334.76 in NCRFA account.
6. Status of Officers
   - Barbara Hoopes willing to serve as Secretary.
   - Janet Abatte has been asked; no response.
   - Nick is willing if no one else is willing.
   - ACTION ITEM: Tom will talk to Eric McCollum for President-Elect; Glenn will talk to Raymond
   - Slate for 2011-2012:
     - President Kitty Hancock
     - President-elect Eric McCollum
     - Secretary Barbara Hoopes
     - Treasurer Henry Hollander

7. Last lecture: May 5 (Reading Day)
   - Change title to “Distinguished Lecture”
   - Glenn has filed required paperwork for alcohol to be served, date has been scheduled; need caterer; need to identify lecturer; Jim Wolf said no (“try me next year”); honor Marcie Boucouvalas for 30 years of service.
   - ACTION ITEM: Larry will ask Harold Stublefield.

8. And Other Business (AOB)
   - Lack of faculty participation with NCR Faculty Association. Higher participation when there are issues of concern to faculty. What do faculty members need?
   - ACTION ITEM: Sherry will ask about solution to cigarette butts at entrances to building (makes a bad first impression).

9. Next meeting 1:30-3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2011

10. Adjourned at 2:55 p.m. – moved by Barbara and seconded by Tom: PASSED