

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON TEACHING
May 21, 2007
Wednesday, 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Kerr Hall Rm 129**

Present: John Borrego, Ruth Harris-Barnett (CTE Director), Kevin Karplus, Roxanne Monnet (Senate analyst), Cynthia Polecritti.

Absent: Murray Baumgarten (Chair), Henry Burnett (Media Services Director), Rachel Dewey (NSTF Rep), Lindsey Hinck.

Chair's Announcements

John Borrego served as chair pro tem for this meeting.

At the June 4 COT meeting staff from the Disabled Resource Center will attend at their request. Additionally, a representative from the Committee of Academic Personnel was invited to discuss on-line evaluations for courses. The meeting will be in Kerr 61.

The May 7 minutes were accepted as amended.

The Graduate Research Symposium occurs tomorrow from 2-4 p.m. The science and engineering Research Symposium for undergraduates will occur on June 7.

A member asked for follow up on the discussion with CEP Chair Padgett regarding the reduction of courses for undergraduates in light of planned graduate program growth. COT is eager to get the data he referred to from Institutional Research).

Director's announcements and updates None.

Mini Grants

Six mini grants were awarded for a total of \$10,501. Four proposals were denied.

The Committee wants to mention in 2006-07 Annual Report that COT has been getting repeat requests to support various unfunded mandates on behalf of the Writing Program, pointing to the strong on-going need in this area.

Where are we on raising the profile on teaching?

This topic was carried forward due to low attendance at the meeting.

Review of mini grant and award processes

COT supports allowing students to submit award nomination letters on-line for the professor of the year awards.

Attest,

John Borrego, Chair pro tem
Committee on Teaching