

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE ON TEACHING
Meeting of November 29, 2006**

Present: Chair Murray Baumgarten, John Borrego, Lindsay Hinck, Cynthia Polecritti, Ruth Harris-Barnett, Jan Carmichael

Absent: (with notice) Kevin Karplus, Rachel Dewey, Henry Burnett, Jess McGuire

Chair's Announcements

The minutes for 11/15/06 were approved as written.

Chair Baumgarten announced that EVC Klinger has asked him (along with CEP Chair Padgett) to attend an upcoming AAC Deans Working Subcommittee meeting to discuss large lecture courses. COT agreed to draft a preliminary statement before this meeting, dealing with the issue of resources driving the curriculum.

Due to lack of business, the scheduled December 13th meeting has been cancelled. The meeting time for winter quarter was discussed and Jan will email meeting dates to all members. The proposed meeting time is Wednesdays, from 9:30-11:00.

Chair Baumgarten announced that Jan Carmichael will no longer be the COT analyst as she is leaving the Academic Senate Office. The Committee thanked Jan for her work and extended their congratulations.

CTE Director Announcements

Ruth announced she has sent email to previous recipients of IIP grants dating back to 1993. We are asking them to send us a report or at the very least an email, stressing the increased pedagogy gained from their grants. This will assist COT when requesting additional money for the IIP funding.

Draft Campus Academic Plan

COT reviewed their response to the draft campus academic plan. The revised edition will be distributed via email and edits are due to Jan by noon on Thursday, November 30th. The letter will then be sent to Senate Chair Faye Crosby. COT agreed with Chair Baumgarten's motion to attach this response to the letter he will be sending the Chancellor and the EVC regarding the Teaching and Learning Symposium.

Mini Grants

COT reviewed and discussed three mini grants; two were approved and one was declined.

Funds for Improvement in Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE)

After discussing the FIPSE project proposal, the committee agreed to inform VPIT Merkley that it would be most effective for ITS to send it to the academic deans to forward to faculty. Ruth also communicated that she would be happy to include it in the next edition of Faculty Focus.

Teaching and Learning Symposium

Chair Baumgarten reported that Chancellor Blumenthal and EVC Klinger are both enthusiastic about being the keynote speakers for the Teaching and Learning Symposium. Ruth will follow up with their administrative assistants to verify that their schedule allows them to attend. The Vice Chancellor of University Relations Donna Murphy sent Chair Baumgarten a list of distinguished alumni who may be able to participate in the alumni panel. Messages have been left for several of the alumni and Chair Baumgarten will report back to the committee at the next meeting. Additional faculty speakers are still needed and Ruth asked members to email her any names of interested faculty.

The tentative schedule for the Teaching and Learning Symposium:

- 1:00 Keynote Speakers
- 2:00-4:00 Faculty Presentations
- 4:00-5:00 UCSC Alumni Panel

EISTA 2007 Conference

This was distributed as an informational item for any interested COT members.

Winter Quarter COT issues

Response to the Role of Graduate Students in University Instruction (
Pilot Program for Online Evaluations
IIP Funding