Present: Elizabeth Allman, Chris Fallen, Galen Johnson, Julie Joly, Leslie McCartney, Walter Skya, David Valentine

Absent: Bella Gerlich (Ex officio)

Proceedings:
Julie Joly convened the meeting.
This committee deals with anything to do with faculty life that does not fall under another committee. Sometimes issues cross between this committee and the unions.

Old Business:
Last year this committee dealt with:
1. Promotion and tenure of term employees (a separate committee work on this);
2. Interdisciplinary projects (a separate committee work on this);
3. Geographic salary differences (the Senate passed the FAC resolution in favor of updated geographic differentials);
4. Department Chair Policy remains outstanding and needs to be addressed this year.

New Business:
1. The Administrative Committee has requested that all committees review their by-laws and amend if necessary. By-laws can be found on the Faculty Senate website;
2. A report about joint appointments has been written; review report and discuss at our next meeting. Perhaps have Bill Bristow to our next meeting to review as he was Chair of the Joint Appointments Committee.

Elections:
Julie nominated Chris to be Chair the committee, seconded by Walter, unanimous vote to elect.

Other Business:
Leslie mentioned that some newer faculty was reluctant to sign the petition regarding the President’s bonus as they fear it could affect their ability to obtain tenure. There are policies in place so this will not happen but the committee was unsure how or if they are enforced.
David mentioned the idea of a faculty regent has been discussed; the Governor appoints all regents. Meetings will be monthly.
Doodle Poll to be created to set next meeting date.

Meeting concluded at 10:15 AM.