

UAF Faculty Development, Assessment and Improvement Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
May 15, 2012

I. Josef Glowa called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm.

II. Roll call:

Present: Mike Castellini, Diane Erickson, Josef Glowa, Kelly Houlton, Duff Johnston,  
Julie Joly, Joy Morrison, Franz Meyer

Excused: Alexandra Oliveira, Channon Price

Absent: Stephen Brown

III. Report from Joy

Joy has met with department chairs of two colleges about bringing faculty development directly to their faculty members for a designated month next year and reports a very positive and enthusiastic response. She discovered that CNSM is interested in mentor training – particularly as it applies to working with graduate students and handling issues that may arise. They are also interested in grant writing and have selected October as their month of personalized opportunity (presentations will still be available to all faculty members). CEM will have the month of November and may be interested in a Saturday workshop/presentation. Joy commented that they appeared unaware of the presentations offered this past academic year. Our committee noted that having Joy go directly to colleges and their deans and department chairs will be a great opportunity to reconnect where there appears to have been a disconnection from the OFD. She will meet with the SOE on Wednesday to discuss their needs.

Joy will ask Provost Henrichs for assistance to help accommodate the increased workload brought on by this new approach to faculty development – perhaps buying out one course for a faculty member. Diane Erickson indicated her interest in this.

Joy reported that the grant writing and scholarly writing workshops with Bob Lucas went really well. She informed us that the New Faculty Orientation will be August 20 and 21, with the Provost's luncheon on Tuesday, August 21.

IV. Old Business

Josef reported that Melanie Arthur is willing to design the faculty survey, but we have discovered that UNAC wants to take charge of the whole thing and send it to all the MAUs. Our committee believes that they should do this, providing that the following issues be addressed: 1) that the data gathered be sortable by specific MAU; and 2) that UAFT works with UNAC to insure that all faculty members are included in the survey.

V. New Business

Jennifer Reynolds, incoming Faculty Senate President, is recruiting new members for the FDAI committee. It is with heavy heart that we bid a fond Auf Wiedersehen to our Chair Josef Glowa as he heads off to Texas on sabbatical and a “wallpaper change” (i.e. “change of scenery”). Our committee has enjoyed working with Josef over the years and has the utmost confidence in his leadership ability. We feel we were able to accomplish many things under his chairmanship. It is also difficult to say good bye to Channon Price, who is adventuring on sabbatical to South Africa. CP has been involved with the FDAI committee since time immemorial and has provided a valuable perspective on our work. CP’s commitment, guidance, and willingness to serve are inspiring. Josef’s and CP’s service is much appreciated, and we shall miss them both. Best wishes and safe travels to our colleagues as they pursue new opportunities!

VI. Our first meeting next year will be Monday, August 27, 2012 at noon in Bunnell 222. Franz Meyer will convene and a new chair will be chosen then.

VII. Adjourned at 12:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Houlton.