Faculty Development Committee
Minutes
February 13, 2001

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 p.m. by Dr. John Orr.

Members Present: Dennis Cates, Doug Catterall, Mary Dzindolet, David Fennema, Abbas Johari, Kurtis Koll, Judy Neale, John Orr, Tom Sutherlin, Robert Yuuyenongwatana, Wade Harrison, Kimberly Merritt

MINUTES:
The minutes from December 5, 2000 were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS:
International Conference on Teaching & Leadership: The discussion of The International Conference on Teaching & Leadership was reopened. A method of identifying conference participants was discussed. The members present came to a consensus that the Chair would draft a memo to all deans and chairs asking for nominations. Conference material should be distributed with the memo.

NEW BUSINESS:
Proposal: John Orr: The committee reviewed a development proposal submitted Dr. John Orr. Tom Sutherlin was appointed as assistant committee chairman to lead the discussion of this proposal. Dr. Orr requested approximately $385 of funding as partial support for attendance at the Southwest Academy of Management division activities at Southwest Federation of Administrative Disciplines conference March 1-3, 2001 in New Orleans, L.A. Specifically, Dr. Orr requested the funding to attend an innovative teaching presentation on "Improving Team Performance in the Classroom." Committee members suggested minor modifications to the wording of the proposal. A motion to recommend funding of this proposal carried.

Proposal: Anita Hernandez: A proposal submitted by Anita Hernandez was considered. Ms. Hernandez requested funding to attend the International Mentoring Association- Diversity in Mentoring Conference March 28-31, 2001 in Washington, D.C. According to this proposal, attendance at this conference could lead to a renewed interest in a faculty mentoring program on campus. Ms. Hernandez was present to answer questions posed by committee members. She indicated that if of the approximately $1,600 requested, departmental funds of $400 were available to support the project. Committee members made minor suggestions for changes to the wording of the proposal. A motion to recommend funding of the proposal minus the amount of available departmental funds carried.

Proposal: Anita Hernandez: A second proposal received from Anita Hernandez was considered. The proposal requested funding to attend a Great Expectations Summer Institute June 26-29, 2001. According to the proposal, Ms. Hernandez hoped to encourage an understanding of the Great Expectations philosophy and to collaborate with other state universities in an effort to support best teaching practices. The proposal failed to receive a motion for funding.

NEXT MEETING: March 6, 2001, Second Floor Conference Room, Howell Hall

ADJOURNED: 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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