Library Faculty Meeting

October 6, 1988

Moderator: Karen Bice F. Jones
Recorder: Jan Nelson — first corrections

Administration Report

Delayed until the Director's arrival at which time he stated that there was none.

Minutes

The minutes for the August and September meetings were approved.

Old Business

Laura Carter announced that the date for the Law Library visit has been scheduled for Thursday, October 27th, at 4:00. There will be a discussion of what's going on at the Law Library and here. Wine and cheese will be served. Invitations will be out next week.

Joan McConkey announced that a free campus phone has been installed by the other telephones.

Discussion of the documents dealing with differential work loads and merit increases was postponed until the next meeting.

New Business

Discussion of the proposals for Faculty Handbook changes was postponed until the next meeting.

Committee Reports

FPC - Ellen Robertson reported that Joan McConkey would meet with FPC next week to present the reappointment list and procedures. Letters will be sent out soon to those scheduled for reappointment.

Travel - Florence Jones reported that $4,453.06 has been spent out of the $7,000.00 budgeted for 1988/89. She stated that she had met with Jim Williams to discuss turnover time in Administration for committee requests. The necessity for rapid processing was emphasized by Williams who also announced that a change was being made in which department handles the requests. In the future Travel Committee requests will go from the committee to the Personnel/Business Department.

Sabbatical - Al Wynn stated that he has received applications for sabbatical/administrative leave from four people thus far and expects about two more requests to come in. None of the applicants are from the same department.

Reappointment - No report.

Nominations - No report.

Library Advisory Board - Chris Busick reported that the committee met last week and discussed ways to raise money for social events, the relocation of the Instruction Room, and staff development. They will look into the possibility of serving coffee to students during finals as a fundraiser.
Tenure - Sharon Gause reported that the Executive Board had met concerning the request from the Chair of the Search Committee for the Assistant Director for Technical Services to offer tenure to the candidate of choice and that the Board's decision was to offer years toward tenure instead. Charlotte Hensley requested information as to the written source of the Executive Board's authority and procedures in this matter. Jim Williams stated that his request had been misunderstood. During the discussion which followed, various aspects of the issue were raised including past practice on this campus, the effect of a candidate's having or not having tenure at his/her current institution, and exactly what is written where. It was decided that Williams will restate the question which will then be addressed by the full Tenure Committee.

Staff Cabinet – The question of abolishing the position of liaison was raised. However, no action was taken as there was no quorum and it was felt that FPC would be the appropriate source for any such motion.

Announcements

The Search Committee for the Curator of Western Historical Collections and the University Archives is calling the references for six candidates.

Sharon Gause reported that the NFA Library Committee had met for the first time this year. The committee now has an associate chair which will provide for continuity of leadership in the future.

Martha Jo Sani reported as a member of the Faculty Senate Personnel Committee on the tremendous changes being made this year in benefits. She stressed the need for everyone to attend the informational meetings in order to be able to make wise decisions about the various benefits packages being offered. Joan McConkey stated that packets describing benefits options would be available in late October/early November.

The meeting was adjourned.