University Review Committee

Minutes: February 16, 2024

10:00 a.m. HOV 401D

Members present: Chad Buckley, Amanda Cullen, Yun-Ching Chung, Hyoil Han, Sarah Smelser, and Susan Sprecher (Absent: Craig Gatto, Ryan Davis, and O. Erin Reitz on zoom)

Meeting called to order by Buckley at 10:03 a.m. We have a quorum with six members present.

First agenda item was to approve the minutes from December 8, 2023. Sprecher moved to approve the minutes, Han seconded. Buckley, Cullen, Chung, Han, and Sprecher voted yes; Davis, Reitz, and Smelser abstained. Minutes were approved.

Second agenda item was to discuss the impact of the ISU faculty union. Buckley compiled a spreadsheet of collective bargaining agreements from other Illinois public universities. Several questions emerged, such as what are the potential effects on ASPT (e.g., T&P, appeal and grievance policies)? If ASPT changes are negotiated and agreed upon by the bargaining groups, how will those changes be approved (or not) by the faculty caucus and how will they be implemented? What are the effects on the role of URC (e.g., what is URC's role with respect to the approval of future ASPT policies with a union in place)? After a contract has been negotiated, we think we should invite someone from the local union/bargaining group and/or the state union for clarification.

Sprecher moved to adjourn, Smelser seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.