Committee on Teaching and Research Faculty (CTRF) Meeting #18 Minutes Thursday 3/14, 2024 1pm-2pm

Meeting held in person

Members in attendance: Drew Brodeur (Chair, CBC), Joe Aguilar (Secretary, HUA), Althea Danielski (HUA), Steve Kmiotek (CHE)

1. COG Update. Committee Member Danielski reported the Committee continued their discussion on academic freedom. The relevant motion on academic freedom passed in our last faculty meeting, so COG will be moving on from that item. COG also discussed upcoming elections for COG, COAP, and CTAF, etc.

Upcoming items for COG's discussion will include faculty academic leadership proposals, including a proposal to institutionalize summer working groups (for pay). CTRF should continue to be part of these conversations.

2. Discussion on continuing CTRF as a committee. The Committee discussed the future of CTRF. Our community has requested that CTRF continue until there is appropriate representation for teaching faculty on all committees.

The Committee also discussed how we can we ensure there isn't total membership turnover between years three and four to ensure a smooth transition. Committee Member Kmiotek advocated for the idea of expanding the committee for continuation of knowledge and resources. Committee Member Danielski will talk to the Secretary of the Faculty about this.

3. **Promotion motion.** The Committee discussed clarifying the language around the procedure for taking sabbatical leaves for all full-time faculty on p. 61 of the Faculty Handbook (under section 8a). We need to make a motion around refining this language and forward it to COG for approval. Chair Brodeur will make this motion.

We will wait to hear from the Secretary of the Faculty about how to move forward.

4. **Sabbatical discussion.** The committee will check back with the new Provost at the beginning of the next academic year about the issue of sabbaticals.

The committee adjourned at 2:00pm.

Respectfully submitted, Joe Aguilar CTRF Secretary