

CALS FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
December 3, 1999
113E Engel Hall

Members present: Dan Eversole, Larry Foy, John Hess, Peter Kennelly, Don Mullins and Dixie Reaves,

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:16 PM
2. The minutes of the October 8, 1999 were approved.
3. Treasurers report:

September:

The balance for savings was \$ 1265.40

The balance for checking was \$ 290.82

The total balance was \$ 1556.22

October:

The balance for savings was \$ 1265.40

A charge for the CALS fall picnic \$ (237.42)

The balance for checking was \$ 53.40

The total balance was \$ 1318.80

Receipts for CALS Faculty dues received to date was 34

4. Speakers of the general CALS Faculty Association meetings for Spring 2000. Peter Kennelly reported on the plans for the CALS Faculty Association Meetings.

February 10, 2000, 4:00 PM, Fralin 102. Program: The Provost, Dr. Peggy Meszaros and Dr. Swiger.

March 28, 2000, 4:00 PM, Fralin 102. Program : Dr. David Barrett

April Celebration of the CALS Faculty.

5. Parking problem around the Price Hall parking lot.

Dixie Reaves reported that the University Commission on Traffic and Parking will be meeting in January after break. The parking problems associated with the area around Price Hall parking lot will be addressed at that time

6. CALS display for Academic Programs

Dan Eversole reported that some of the materials that are part of the CALS Academic Programs display are out of date. A call for new materials has been made. Animal and Poultry Sciences and Crop and Soil Environmental Sciences have provided new information. There is a need for other departments to provide updated materials. It was suggested that a Stuart McGinnis might serve as a resource for photographs that cover all three missions of the College. Dr. Whites office will coordinate some of the efforts to update these materials.

7. Modification of the CALS Governance System.

Dan Eversole initiated a discussion on revisiting the College Governance System. In discussions with Dr. Swiger, the observation was made that several of the College Commissions did not appear to be working on issues related to their charge and were not meeting regularly. The need for some of these commissions was questioned. It was noted that the CALS Executive Committee did receive and act on a previous survey and study conducted by Kriton Hatzios several years ago. The conclusion at that time was that the system should not be changed. A draft proposal calling for the reduction of the current seven commissions (Commissions on Research Program Policies, International Program Policies, Academic Program Policies, Classified Staff Affairs, Extension Program Policies, Faculty Affairs, and Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs) reporting to the Dean and the College Council to three commissions (Commissions on Research and Extension Programs Policies, Academic Program Policies and International Program Policies) reporting to the College Council, was presented. Discussion of this proposal included several points: (1) What is the basis for the proposed need for a change? (2) If a change is needed what the type of change should be made? (3) What process would be needed to implement such a change? The Committee felt that they would like to discuss some of these points with Dr. Swiger before any action or action plan should be initiated. It was suggested that this item should be an agenda item for the next CALS Executive meeting. It was also suggested that Dixie Reeves discuss the situation with the CALS Commission on Faculty Affairs.

8. Commission Reports:

Several Commissions have not yet met this year. The CALS Commission on Faculty Affairs will meet in January. The Commissions on Research Program Policies and Extension Programs and Policies do not have new chairs.

9. Senate Activity:

The major project that the Faculty Senate will undertake this year is a study of the Faculty (environment) climate. Some of the issues that will be addressed will include multicultural affairs and resource allocations within the University

10. Strategic Budgeting and Planning Committee

There was no meeting

11. The meeting adjourned at 2:41 PM

These minutes respectfully submitted by D. E. Mullins, CALS Secretary Treasurer

Minutes approved January 21, 2000