Committee on Faculty Welfare and Academic Freedom (FWAF)

Wednesday, September 19 1:00 – 2:30 pm Location: KL 397 Documents available on UCM Box: <u>FWAF AY 18-19</u>

I. Chair's Report – Laura Hamilton

- A. Introduction of new and returning committee members
 - i. The <u>University Committee on Faculty Welfare</u> representative is FWAF member Jayson Beaster-Jones
 - ii. FWAF Chair Hamilton will represent FWAF on the <u>University Committee on</u> <u>Academic Freedom</u>
- B. Expectations for committee members
 - i. <u>Reviewer assignments</u> for campus and systemwide review items
- C. Committee goals AY 18-19
 - i. Draft a conflict of interest policy. As examples, other Senate committee policies can be viewed <u>here</u>.
 - ii. After school and holiday child care

Background: FWAF, via Division Council, previously shared the results of the AY 16-17 campus survey with various members of the administration. Since then, the Senate has requested status updates on the campus's plan to address the issues revealed in the survey.

Discussion: Should FWAF work with the administration to identify an individual to serve as a coordinator or liaison with community child care organizations? Should FWAF utilize the survey data to draft a list of employees' child care needs and use this as the basis for helping to draft a potential job description for the coordinator/liaison?

Note: The new AVC for Auxiliaries and Fiscal Innovation, who oversees the ECEC, will attend the November 14 FWAF meeting to discuss these issues.

- iii. Health care access for UCM employees. Lead discussant: Jayson Beaster-Jones.
- iv. UCM implementation of systemwide faculty salary increase plan
- v. Maintain contact with faculty representative on the <u>Police Advisory Board</u>. Representative will attend a future FWAF meeting to provide updates.
- D. Division Council meetings <u>August 28</u> and <u>September 11</u>

II. Vice Chair's Report – Carolin Frank

A. <u>PROC meeting</u> September 12

III. Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of September 19, 2018 agenda
- B. Approval of April 19, 2018 meeting minutes

IV. Unit 18 Lecturers – Laura Hamilton

A. Discussion: FWAF's potential role in mitigating the stress of the heavy workload on non-Senate lecturers, and the uncertainty of employment year to year. The current Unit 18 non-Senate faculty MOU can be found <u>here</u>.

V. Consultation with Interim Vice Provost for the Faculty – Teenie Matlock

A. Faculty salary increase plan

VI. Campus Review Items

A. <u>University Extension's proposal</u> for non-degree certificate in child development and care. *Lead reviewer: Laura Hamilton*

The policy governing the establishment of a non-degree program by Extension is <u>here</u>. As per section II.C. of the policy, the Senate is asked to consider the following when reviewing a proposal for a non-degree program put forth by Extension: *Senate Committee members should ask questions if there are concerns about the credibility of a content area, intended audience, or selection of courses to be included in a non-degree program, or resource impacts on existing (non-Extension) academic programs.*

CAPRA and UGC are lead reviewers.

The lead reviewer has suggested that FWAF decline to opine.

<u>Action</u>: if no objection to the lead reviewer's suggestion is raised, the Senate Chair will be informed that FWAF declines to opine.

B. Committee on Rules & Elections (CRE) revised voting policy

Lead reviewer: Jayson Beaster-Jones

Background: in AY 16-17 and AY 17-18, CRE drafted "Recommended Voting Policies in Academic Personnel Cases" for review by Senate committees. After receiving several comments from Senate committees – including FWAF – and Division Council, CRE has again revised its policy.

<u>Action:</u> FWAF to decide whether to opine. If opining, the lead reviewer's preliminary comments will be distributed to FWAF for an email discussion by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, October 9. FWAF's memo is due to the Senate Chair by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, October 16.

C. Revisions to UCM Bylaws – expanded LASC membership The proposed revisions increase the faculty membership of the committee to seven from four, through the addition of three at-large members, no more than one from each school. Currently, the LASC faculty membership is comprised exclusively of one representative each from CAPRA, COR, UGC, and GC. <u>Action</u>: FWAF to decide whether to opine. If opining, a lead reviewer will be assigned. The lead reviewer's preliminary comments will be distributed to FWAF for an email discussion by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, October 9.

FWAF's memo is due to the Senate Chair by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, October 16.

VII. Other Business

VIII. Informational Item

A. AY 17-18 FWAF annual report