

UAF Faculty Development, Assessment and Improvement Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2014

I. Franz Meyer called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

II. Roll call:

Present Bill Barnes, Mike Castellini, Mike Davis, Cindy Fabbri, David Fazzino, Andrea Ferrante, Kelly Houlton, Eric Madsen, Trina Mamoon, Franz Meyer, Joy Morrison, Channon Price
Excused Leslie Shallcross, Amy Vinlove

III. Report from Joy

After we welcomed Joy back, she informed us that she has sent out the OFD February agenda to all new faculty as well as to faculty that are still relatively new to UAF. She is cutting back on the number of the OFD emails by sending out a monthly agenda to a filtered email list for specific groups of faculty. Joy reported that she is meeting with all new faculty during February either face to face or via online.

Joy mentioned that the weekly Tuesday, 1:00 pm time slot is still being used for departmental meetings so some faculty are unable to attend the OFD's arranged presentations.

Joy reported that the Faculty Learning Communities formed last fall are going really well with 8 – 12 people in each of the six groups. She credits the facilitators with keeping up the momentum. Mike C. asked for a quick summary of some of the meetings Joy has sat in on. Joy responded that the groups meet for 90 minutes, and the members of the Learning Community that is looking at Flipping the Classroom all bought some kind of technology to use in their classrooms. After reading books on it and presenting their learnings during the fall semester, they have all implemented their various technologies in their respective classes this spring. Joy also noted that another FLC comprised mostly of CLA and Engineering faculty is currently meeting on how to write a good Annual Activities Report as just one of their topics

Joy informed us that she has just signed another contract with Bob Sadras will be coming to Fairbanks again.

Since UNAC has a new CBA there has been some confusion regarding their OFD funding. Joy reports that UNAC travel funding will be going to the Provost in the future.

The previously titled Faculty Speed Dating event is now called a Research Schmooze and will take place April 15 on West Ridge from 1:00 – 2:00 pm. Joy has been working with the Office of Sponsored Programs to put the event together. They are hoping for 30 – 40 participants and have about 10 so far. Eric noted that the new electronic Annual

Activities Reporting software, Faculty 180, allows faculty to search for research interests amongst their fellow faculty members. Joy indicated that she wants to learn about this so she can show faculty how to go about it. Eric said he would send out an email to the FDAI Committee with instructions. Franz mentioned that Madara Mason of eLearning and Distance Education did a similar Schmooze event to pair research faculty with instructional designers and has written up the results on their website. Joy opined that it would be a good idea to have someone from eLearning on our committee as a permanent member. We all agreed and Franz will let Madara know our next meeting dates/times for the remainder of the semester.

Joy informed us that she still meets with candidates for new faculty.

Mike C. asked about the possibility of naming of our committee, and Franz informed us that we are waiting for the Administrative Committee to make their decisions regarding the proposed mission statements, after which we will again visit the discussion on a possible name change.

Franz indicated that the FDAI Committee was instrumental in bringing the issues some Peer Review committees were experiencing to the attention of Provost Henrichs. He said that the Provost agreed with our suggestion that FDAI be involved in the process of resolving the issues but that our committee should not lead the effort.

VII. Upcoming Events

a. Next FDAI meeting: 3-27-14 from 45:00 pm