

Minutes for Faculty Executive Committee Meeting

May 7, 2012

Developing strategy for upcoming academic year.

I) Faculty presentations for BOT meetings

- How can we best reflect the important work of the faculty?
- One issue: the BOT doesn't deal with 99% of the academic and related issues we are responsible for as faculty; they have delegated that power to the president. However, our monthly presentations could help set up dialogue with the administration on our issues.
- Dr. Wilcox proposes a two-pronged approach to board presentations: 1) Showcase work of faculty and, 2) Use the leverage of our monthly meeting to highlight issues that we can work cooperatively with the administration on.
- Topics for May BOT meeting: Edison Writes and College Prep. For June: Prof. Ransford offered to present on STEM Fair, Dr. Weir on Social Science issues/events. **ACTION ITEM:** Create calendar of possible future topics. Executive Committee members should email potential topics to Dr. Wilcox in the next couple of weeks. **ACTION ITEM:** Dr. Wilcox will send email to Senate campus presidents who can forward to department chairs with requests for future BOT topics. Hope to have full calendar created by the end of summer.

II) Role of Faculty in shared governance

We would like greater input/presence in the following:

- Graduation Committee
- Input on academic calendar
- Greater presence on the Edison Homepage website for Senate and Union resources (e.g., agendas and minutes) with opportunity for feedback from individuals who can't attend. **ACTION ITEM:** Dr Weir volunteers to investigate possibilities for being more inclusive to other faculty members.
- Schedule meeting with new president ASAP to give faculty perspective on campus issues.
- Formalize faculty mentorship program.
- Create more subcommittees in Faculty Senate that individuals can volunteer for based on their interests.

- **ACTION ITEM:** Revitalize Dr. Ransford's idea to appoint a faculty member as a non-voting member of the BOT and/or a position on President's Executive Council.