QCC PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

An Academic Senate Standing Committee

Minutes

Meeting of Nov. 10, 2010 at Oakland Building at 12:00

Attending: Jose Luis Madrigal, Mark Van Ells, Rosemary Zins, Phil Pecorino, Bahar Baheri, Craig Weber.

Absentees:

1. Report

Dr. Madrigal welcomed the new members Vice president Rosemary Zins, Dr. Weber and Dr. Baheri, and then he gave a brief summary of the goals set for this academic year, mainly the thorough revision of the Faculty Handbook.

Discussion of the meeting

Dr. Madrigal indicated that in the previous meeting the committee had agreed on having an online Faculty Handbook along with the current printed edition. Vice president Zins did not object, but insisted that she thought it important to keep the paper version. It was suggested that the online version should include links, as well as descriptions, so faculty could access to a large set of information related to every topic. Vice president Zins liked the idea as long as there was a disclaimer somewhere on the edition saying that the college was not responsible for opinions or information related or attached to those links. Dr. Madrigal told the committee that the descriptions should be concise and as objective as possible, especially on hot issues like the reward system (that is, tenure and promotion) in which a consensus on the part of faculty was needed. A debate ensued on the issue. Dr. Van Ells suggested that before proceeding, we should get the input of the P & B of the college and the FEC members. Dr. Pecorino indicated that the Publications committee, in its capacity as editorial board, was entitled to write a description without any further consultations. Finally, Dr. Pecorino said that before next week he would send an outline of the new Faculty Handbook

2. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

José Luis Madrigal

Chair of the Publications Committee