

Minutes of the FEC-9, Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at 8:30 a.m. in the Government Conference Room

Present: Dan Curley, chair, Mark H., Bill Lewis, Dan Hurwitz, Tim Burns (late), Paty Rubio (late), and Jennifer Delton (scribe)

- 1) Minutes of March 7 approved.
- 2) Dan will circulate FEC's BOT notes.
- 3) IPPC report (previously distributed)  
The committee briefly noted the discussion of Hilel Isler resignation and student protest. Main discussion focused on the budget and in particular proposed positions and initiatives.
- 4) Discussion of faculty caucus, held on Friday, March 23. Dan explained again why Susan and Muriel were not invited, stressing the need to give CAFR a fair hearing.
- 5) Tim raised the issue of Friday IB meetings, which take faculty away from department and faculty meetings. In addition, Tim wanted to ask IPPC what happened to the two summer study group report on IB and the HCC.
- 6) Dean of the Faculty visit. Muriel arrived at 9:30.
  - Course Releases. Muriel would like to hold an open forum in late April to discuss the Course Release Task Force Report. Some of the issues that have emerged since the report was released: the challenge of recruiting new program directors, weighing the needs of smaller programs, financial incentives rather than time, re-calibration of what we mean by service, the possibility of a 2-2 course load with no releases. Dan asked about a course release for IPPC vice-chair.
  - Resignations in student affairs. Dan mentioned that he has had several calls