FACULTY WELFARE COMMITTEE

UC Aspen A & B January 12, 2022 – 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. MINUTES

Present: Applegate, Brown, Doerner, Fulks, Matchett, Senbet, Williams **Absent:** Blatt, Endres, Johnson, Sileo, Wiegand **Guest:** Levin

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:35pm.

Approval of the Agenda

Approved without objection.

Approval of the December 1, 2021 meeting minutes

Approved without objection.

Chair's Report/Announcements (Senbet)

• We will hold an election for vice-chair next time; please consider serving. Self-nominations are welcome.

Special Orders

Unfinished Business

• Chair/Director discussion

- The committee began a line-by-line review of the original proposal and offered changes based on previous discussion.
- Recommendations include:
 - Differentiate unit leaders who have only administrative duties from unit leaders who have faculty duties.
 - Determine suitable titles to help distinguish between unit leaders who are administrators and those who are faculty.
 - Perhaps reserve "director" for unit leaders with full-time administrative assignment, making current school directors with faculty duties "chairs" instead.
 - Establish a definition of unit leader, and use "unit leader" in policy language where appropriate (replacing department chair/school director/program area coordinator).
 - Establish a definition of academic unit, and use "academic unit" in policy language where appropriate (replacing department/school/free-standing program).

- Amend the definition of voting faculty to include faculty service (including chair service); clarify that voting faculty does not include faculty on fulltime administrative assignment.
- Modify the language of the purpose/rationale as needed to reflect the changes to the proposal.
- The committee discussed whether unit leaders should be able to initiate dismissal proceedings under 2-3-1101(3)(a).
 - Members generally agree that dean level or above is appropriate for the initiation of dismissal proceedings.
 - Strike directors from 2-3-1101(3)(a).
- Levin will incorporate the committee's feedback in a new draft proposal for review next time.
- Sanctions short of dismissal
- Dismissal proceedings of tenured faculty

New Business

Other New Business

Comments to the Good of the Order

• Welcome back to Jim Doerner.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm.

Dawit Senbet Chair Betsy Kienitz Recording Secretary