

**Commission on Faculty Affairs
Minutes
October 21, 2011**

Members Attending: Sarah Karpanty (Chair), Jack Finney, John Massey, Bruce Pencek, Alan Grant, Connie Stovall, Woody Farrar, Brad Klein, Eric Vance, Diane Agud, Robena Hughes, and Matt Chan.

Guests Attending: Gary Long (Faculty Senate representative to the BOV's Buildings and Grounds Committee), Leah Richardson (Human Resources), Nicole J. Johnson (doctoral student), Mike Kutnak (doctoral student), Heidi McCoy (doctoral student)

The meeting was called to order by Sarah Karpanty, Chair, who distributed the agenda with three items.

1. Approval of minutes from October 7, 2011
2. Expression of concern: Impact of Multi-Modal Transit Facility (MMTF) on College of Science and research facilities by Gary Long
3. Proposed resolution to be led by CFA to University Council: Initial appointment for extra collegiate library and extension faculty on the continued appointment track by Jack Finney

1. Approval of minutes from October 7, 2011

Sarah Karpanty requested members to read and approve the minutes from the October 7 meeting electronically by, Wednesday October 26, 2011.

2. Expression of concern- Impact of MMTF on College of Science and Research Facilities

Gary Long briefed CFA members on the proposed Multi-Modal Transit Facility (MMTF) for the Derring parking lot. The proposed MMTF will be a central bus hub where users can take alternative means of transportation to their respective destinations. A number of concerns have been raised pertaining to the project. One was concerning fumes from the new facility that would result in pollution and ventilation issues for surrounding academic and research buildings, including Derring, Hahn North and South, and Robeson. Secondly, concern was expressed regarding the lack of consultation with academic stakeholders (i.e., Dean of Science, department heads in biological sciences, chemistry, and physics). The Commission on Research (COR) has discussed the issues and will continue to lead the discussion. Dr. Long further informed CFA members that the proposed MMTF was discussed at the Board of Visitors meeting in August, 2011. The BOV recommended that an environmental assessment of the project be conducted and additional consultations be held with relevant stakeholders. CFA members were asked to give their input at a later date. Members suggested more consultation with stakeholders was needed, as well as environmental impact study before the plan is finalized and taken to the BOV.

3. Proposed resolution to be led by CFA to University Council: Initial appointment for extra collegiate library and extension faculty on the continued appointment track

Jack Finney briefed members on proposed changes made in the language in the employment policies for appointment of extra-collegiate library and extension faculty who are on the continued appointment track. CFA members suggested a number of changes in the language that should be included in the resolution to make it clearer. Members were asked to forward any additional suggestions to Jack, who will incorporate the changes in the final document and bring it back to CFA for approval at a future meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.
Recorder, Maxwell Awando