

## Commission on Faculty Affairs

### Minutes

April 7, 2017  
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

130 Burruss Hall

**In Attendance:** H. Robinson, chair; G. Amacher, L. Brogdon, J. Davis, R. Dalloul, J. Ferris, J. Finney, D. Good, V. Groover, L. Geyer, C. Montgomery, J. Spotila, P. Young, A. Zajac. (15 members, 1 vacancy = quorum is 8)

**Absent:** R. Bliezsner

**Guests:** T. Bluestein, E. Plummer

**Last CFA meeting of 2016-2017: April 21**

**1. Welcome and Approval of Agenda** H. Robinson  
The meeting came to order at 10:30, agenda approved unanimously.

**2. Approval of March 31, 2017 Minutes** H. Robinson  
The minutes were approved unanimously.

**\*3. Second Reading. CFA Resolution 2016-17H,  
Resolution Clarifying Standards of Appeals Language in  
Faculty Handbook** H. Robinson

Resolution passed unanimously and will be sent to the University Council.

**\*4. Second Reading. CFA Resolution 2016-17I,  
Resolution to Amend Evaluations Procedures for  
Promotion and Tenure** H. Robinson

A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to defer this resolution for further consideration in the fall of 2017.

**5. Additional Discussion on CFA Resolution 2016-17F,  
Resolution to Amend the Promotion Guidelines for  
Non-Tenured Faculty** H. Robinson

Edits were made to the resolution for clarification. The revised resolution was approved unanimously and will be forwarded to University Council.

## **6. Update on New River Valley Childcare Initiative**

J. Finney

A representative group of on and off-campus individuals has been meeting to explore the complexities of providing quality childcare in the region. The group identified barriers and prioritized next steps. The Alliance for Better Childcare Strategies group has an executive director with support from higher education, local governments, and local business and industry. Fund raising is under way for the organization and for supporting projects such as providing grants to day care workers to pursue appropriate credentials, and grants to support infrastructure upgrades to assist day care centers in meeting accreditation standards (e.g. child-appropriate sinks). Governments are recognizing their role in supporting these efforts.

## **7. Updates on the CFA Work Plan/Schedule**

H. Robinson

The work plan is complete. Some items will be picked up by the commission in the fall of 2017.

## **8. Other Business**

H. Robinson

No other business.

## **9. Adjournment**

The commission adjourned at 12:10.