

MAFS Executive Board Meeting 1/19/2018  
Conklin105 12:20pm-1:10pm

## 1. Teaching Support Fund and Professional Development Fund

Jacob (Faculty Affairs) has reported that we have run out of TSF and PDF is getting low

Mike: TSF was \$850- probably lower than in the past

PDF (\$15,000 -> \$6,094) usually has had some funding still there by April 1<sup>st</sup>

If looks like it should stretch until May, that's actually good

Dr. A: Does TSF always run out?

Generally does not run out this early...

Ed: What is the limit for a single person?

Mike & Dr. A: Can look at history (ebb & flow...) of TSF

Mike will look into it before Jan MAFS

## 2. Campus Theme

Jan/Feb: Should be discussing/choosing a new theme this year

Summary of what has been done & where to go with it

History of evolution of Campus Theme

- Started with Stephanie (Peace), then handed off to Dan (as Diversity Committee chair)

We think York & another PSU campus have had themes that have worked very well

Dr. A: Is there a buy in on campus? If not, probably won't work

Mike: The survey... 31 faculty replies out of ~90 faculty, so hard to say

Susan: Alice Royer ran campus theme back in the 90's

-> brought in speakers & many classes attended the speakers

Susan's brother was one of the speakers, Alice had a budget (during C. Caldwell's time...)

Is the theme hooked into Campus Symposium?

Ed: Not just curriculum theme, but also activities & concerts...

Dr. A: What was the goal of the campus theme back then?

(Go ask Alice) But: to have an overarching ideal for the campus

Alice was good at linking events already planned to the campus theme

Kendra does a lot with the current theme and Donna initially worked it in very well

Does it need to come from top down?

Susan: Shouldn't just be faculty... Themes are generally vague so almost anything could be linked

Dan: Where does the discussion/conversation/sharing of these ideas happen?

David: Mentioned the theme to a class, but students were unaware of it

Ideally: Multi-prong approach: speakers, banner, mention to visitors- can't just be a website

Conversations originally in Campus Theme Committee & MAFS

Dr. A: Kira & Donna lead Symposium, so try to involve them & a group of people to try to make campus-wide theme

Kim: What about selecting the theme? Who makes the decision?

Susan: Try to get the students involved in selecting a theme-> SGA...

Kim: Trouble: students heading out might be mostly choosing the theme...

Susan: That's okay-> good to get student input

Campus Theme Committee: did have faculty, staff, students... scheduling meetings was difficult

We did have a good group representative of the campus community

Need to survey faculty, staff, students about what each group would like to see:

topic of theme, but also what do we as a campus want to do with it

\*\*\*\* What do we want to accomplish with a theme?

Unifying theme to rally the campus together?

Ask Stephanie about her original motivation

Mike: Try to put something about the theme in Convocation & Commencement

Dr. A: Has to be bottom up -> admin will support, but people need to buy into it

3. Online class: Learning Management system-> Canvas vs Blackboard vs Moodle...

What is admin position that certain courses might require connection to a publisher's website?

To create a link to transfer HW grades from somewhere else to automate into Canvas:

- need to check with UP

Are there rules?

Mike: Brian Young is a good go-to person (bxy8); Mike will check with him

Hanafiah has been in contact with Dean Shaffer

Trying to reduce number of clicks for the students

Ed: Possibly talk with textbook rep as well...

4. Election for University Faculty Senate

Peter Dendle's position

Currently have two names (Peter Dendle & Kira Hamman) for a ballot

maybe will have a few more after MAFS (Jan 24)

Ballot probably on Jan 26th

5. Election of new members

a. Executive Board member

Should be electing two for 3 yr position & a fill in for David (on sabbatical next year)

b. UC Faculty councilor

Need one

c. Ombudspersons

Need two (one & alternate)

d. P&T Committee member

Need one member to be elected (One appointed from Chancellor)

e. Non-tenure Faculty promotion committee

Need one new member -> Mike will supply list of eligible

Put out call for nominations in Jan, let people think by Feb, then vote in March

6. MAFS agenda

Diane-> enrollment

Staci -> athletics

Curtis -> leadership ceremony

Kim -> Academic Festival

Linghao -> Evaluating online courses

Dan & Susan -> Reminder about Bridges photo exhibit

TSF update & review from past years

Dr. A: Update on launchbox workshop series & LION Tank

12-4 MWF -> go look at the space

There's some great buzz -> Help spread the word

Meeting adjourned at 1:18 pm