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Minutes

Executive Committee Meeting

May 12, 2003

Present: Andrews, Baldus, Bishara, Clark, Cox, Hansen, Kottick, Pelton, Tachau, Wachtel

Location: Room 176 Schaeffer Hall.

1. President Hansen called the meeting to order at 7:30.
2. Cox moved, Andrews seconded, that the minutes of the March 10, 2003 Executive Committee meeting be accepted as amended. The motion carried.
3. **Old Business:** We then proceeded to committee reports:
 - a. The organizers of the Annual Meeting on April 19, 2003 reported that all had gone well, and expressed satisfaction with University of Iowa President David Skorton's speech; Tachau promised to remind him that we look forward to receiving the written version at his early convenience.
 - b. Wachtel reported that the Promotion & Tenure Workshop had been attended by 45 people, with another 5 having wanted to come. We discussed making available our document "Reflections on Succeeding in the System." Tachau will be prepared to do so, after Cox has made it known via newsletter that it's available. This issue led to a discussion of whether we can reach all University of Iowa faculty with a newsletter once a year. The rule seems to be that we can send it as e-mail to all faculty only if it's (couched as) an announcement. We agreed that it would be desirable for us to have at least this level of outreach.
 - c. Baldus brought us up to date on the Recruitment committee's work, and our discussion of how to use our funds to encourage continued membership, with a subsidy for renewal after 1st year being the probable point of focus. (The membership fee in the first year has already been set at 50% of annual full membership dues by AAUP Central.) The committee will also be interested in re-enrolling longer-term members who have dropped their membership.
4. **New Business:** We discussed the University and CLAS potential revisions of the P & Tenure standards to prepare our delegation (Baldus, Tachau, Wachtel) who will be meeting with the committee (headed by Elizabeth Altmaier) charged by the Provost with reviewing the current rules and proposing changes. Baldus, having circulated to us a proposed set of suggested changes, introduced further amendments thanks to his conversation with Bill Buss. Lengthy thinking out loud by those present ensued, with much wisdom bruited about.

Our time at an end, the rest of the agenda was postponed to the next meeting, scheduled for June 4, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine H. Tachau