

3/6/2023 (12:40 pm)

Executive Committee Minutes

Present: Carolyn Skinner, Jamison Kantor, Phil Mazzocco, Amy Brunell, Dawn Kitchen, Lindy Camacho, Scopas Poggo, Tony Baer, Eric Anderman, Andrew Mueller, Carol Landry

1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the 2/6/23 Executive Committee meeting was made by Amy Brunell (second by Lindy Camacho). The motion carried unanimously with 7 “yes” votes, 0 no votes, and no abstentions.

2. Committee for Jamison Kantor's 6th year review

The Executive Council met to discuss recommendations for the formation of a sub-committee for the promotion case for Jamison Kantor. After discussion and agreement on potential committee members, the Dean informed the committee that he would invite those individuals to serve in these roles, copying Carol Landry as Chair of the Executive Committee. Once committee membership is confirmed, it will be announced to the faculty.

3. Peer Evaluation of Teaching

The committee discussed University efforts to have more elaborate forms and assessments relating to peer evaluations of teaching. The Mansfield Campus already uses forms (circa 2015) to assist in the Peer Evaluation process, although they are not mandatory. Other units use and are developing alternative methods.

Support was expressed for the use of narrative reports as at least a component of the review process. However, it was noted that both quantitative and qualitative assessment methods have strengths and weaknesses and that it may be advisable to retain both. Also, a list of categories that may or may not be rated/ranked can also be useful to guide the observations and evaluations or reviewers.

We discussed asking the Teaching and Learning Committee to consider this topic; however, it was felt that we are not at the point where we could direct the committee how to act. It was decided to alert the Faculty Assembly that the University was in the process of reviewing PET assessment practices.

With no further issues to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:25pm.

*Minutes taken and prepared by Phil Mazzocco, Faculty Secretary.