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ATTACHMENT 152/1
UAF Faculty Senate #152, September 15, 2008
Report by Provost Susan Henrichs

Summary of AY 07-08 Tenure, Promotion, 4th year and Post-tenure Reviews

Promotion and Tenure

Category:	Totals
Promotion to Professor	13 yes, 1 no
Tenure, Mandatory	12 yes, 1 no
Tenure, PTMY	14 yes, 2 withdrawn
Promotion to Research Associate Professor	3 yes
TOTAL	46

Background:

In the U.S., only (approximately) 60 percent of students complete their Ph.D. studies.

Increasing production of Ph.D. graduates to take leadership in circumpolar and global scholarship is a major priority of UAF. Removal of barriers to the completion is necessary to complete this goal of UAF's strategic plan. One of the major barriers is financial pressure on the mentors and students. Based on recommendations of various advisory groups, we believe that out-of-state students should pay the same tuition as in-state students after having completed 2 years of a graduate program.

**RESOLUTION ON TUITION RATES FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS
AFTER TWO YEARS OF STUDY**

WHEREAS, out-of-state Ph.D. students pay higher tuition than other UAF graduate students;
and

WHEREAS, the amount of annual income from this out-of-state Ph.D. tuition is small compared to the UA budget; and

WHEREAS, a separate financial class of students is paying this separate sur-tax on the normal tuition; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the UAF Faculty Senate recommends that the UAF Graduate School can issue UAF tuition waivers for the non-resident portion of tuition after two years of graduate study.

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Background:

Currently, there is no specific UAF-wide policy suggesting what constitutes the successful defense of a thesis proposal or thesis. The general standard across UAF departments is a majority vote of the student's graduate committee. This should be the Graduate School's policy, too.

**RESOLUTION
ON
MAJORITY VOTE OF GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES**

WHEREAS, UAF uses committees of three or more faculty to review the scholarship of graduate degree candidates; and

WHEREAS, faculty are obligated to inform students that a majority yes vote constitutes a successful defense of their scholarship and research; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That a majority yes vote of the student's graduate committee constitutes a pass for a comprehensive examination or defending a thesis.

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Unit Criteria Meeting Minutes
3 September 2008

Attending:
Brenda Konar - Chair
Ray Ralonde
John Heaton
Jing Zhang
Sonja Koukel

Elected Brenda to remain as chair.

Discussed how Unit Criteria are reviewed.

We should be getting two criteria in the near future.

Next meeting will be September 29 from 1-2. Meeting room to be determined.

Meeting adjourned 10:20

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CSW Meeting Minutes

Tuesday Sept 2, 2008

Minutes taken by Uma Bhatt

Present: Cindy Hardy, Jane Weber, Carol Gold, Alex Fitts, Sine Anahita, Elizabeth Allman, Diane Wagner, Renate Wackerbauer, Uma Bhatt, Kayt Sunwood

1) Introductions

Elizabeth was introduced to everyone. Steffi was out of town. They are our two new members.

2) New co-chair will be Alex who will replace Sine who has other commitments.

3) Minutes - Uma will continue as minute taker

4) Meeting times

- October 14th 1-2, what do we want to talk to him about,
- Organize meeting with the Chancellor, 3-4PM Oct 16th Thursday
- Tuesdays 1-2 keep this meeting date
- Next meetings on Tuesdays
 - Nov 11th, Dec 9th

8) Child Care Task Force representative

- To extend tenure clock you need to have taken family leave. This is a new provost policy, we need to learn more about this policy or how it works so faculty can prepare for this possibility.

Diane gave update and a page summary. It is not clear that we have a Task Force on child care. The Transition team recommended this but the status is unknown. Composition of the team is going to be crucial. If there is a task force, then Diane would be happy to serve on such a committee. Diane will check with the chancellor's office to find out what is happening.

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