

INTERCAMPUS FACULTY COUNCIL Minutes
Dartmouth February 15, 2006

Present: *Amherst* –E. May, B. O'Connor, *Boston* – N. Ashkafi, L. Tirrell *Dartmouth* –
E.Carreiro-Lewandowski, P.Gibbs, K. Langley, S.Leclair *Lowell* –E. Buzawa, M.Carter
Worcester John Cooke
Guests: K. Motley

Meeting called to order at 11:35 am

Minutes of previous meeting approved as corrected

There was general discussion about appointments outside of academic departments as precursors to creating an academic department.

The next topic was student fees and tuition. Students must be supported as much as possible. There is a need for a consistent lobbying approach among students, faculty and administrators. The legislature cannot commit to multiyear funding and this creates a difficulty.

Keith Motley, Vice President for Business and Public Affairs related his concern for a consistent lobby from all university constituents. Another concern is the possibility that the legislature will mitigate increased fees and tuition by mandating grants funded by each campus. The legislature is presently absorbed in university construction issues and does not want to be distracted by a fees discussion.

V.P. Motley has developed guiding principles which will serve as the foundation for revising the UMass Trustees orientation. Especial attention must be paid to student trustees. The student trustees serve for a brief period and need to understand the Trustee context quickly. Currently student trustees are isolated from each other by their service on separate committees.

V.P. Motley noted that the UMass Foundation needs to be emphasized. A “rotating chair” which is funded by the university system and is “placed” in turn at each campus is a popular opportunity for donors. While fundraising is initially expensive in the long run it is cost effective.

The IFC discussed posting the minutes of this meeting and subsequent meetings on the UMass Amherst Faculty Senate website with the faculty governance bodies on the other campuses linking it to their websites.. It was agreed that draft minutes will be distributed via e-mail to every IFC member for review and approval before posting.

Respectfully submitted, Paige Gibbs- secretary