

University Constitution Committee Minutes
November 28, 2012 3:30– 5:00 p.m.
Pugh Hall Oral History Conference Room

Attendance:

Angel Kwolek-Folland
Tace Hedrick
Christine Fruin
Barbara Wingo
John Leavey
Patricia Morgan
Sue Alvers

John Leavey, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m.

Introductions were made and minutes from October 2012 were approved with corrections.

Clarification of Language

The Steering Committee asked the Constitution Committee to please clean-up the last sentence from Article VI, Section 3(D) in the constitution. After discussion, the committee recommended the following:

Old Version:

In those instances where the nominee of the dean(s) of the college(s) is not concurred in by the departmental committee, that committee's dissenting report should be forwarded to the President along with the nomination made by the dean(s).

New recommended version:

In those instances where the departmental committee does not concur in the nominee of the dean(s) of the college(s), the committee's report should be forwarded to the President along with the nomination made by the dean(s).

Voting and Departments in Dual Colleges

The committee continued the discussion from October's meeting about departments in dual colleges and what college they should vote for senate representatives. The committee agreed last month to use faculty tenure designation as to which college they would vote. However, since last month's meeting, the committee received information that in some units, faculty do not designate their college until mid-cycle review, which occurs at the three year point. Because of this the committee recommends the following:

That all faculty in the departments in dual colleges who have not expressed membership in one college or other belong in Group 1 unit for purposes of Senate membership, voting, and apportionment.

Review of the constitution for consistency of language and for current procedures.

John asked that between now and the next meeting in January, members would please review the constitution for consistency of language. This will be on the next meeting's agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.