

NTID FACULTY CONGRESS
October 24, 2017
Minutes

- 10.23 PRESENT: Catherine Clark, Tao Eng, Austin Gehret, Marcus Holmes, Ed Mineck, Camille Ouellette, Mark Rosica, Jessica Trussell
- 10.24 Minutes for 10/17/17 meeting were voted for approval (7 for, 1 abstention): Motion: Ed Mineck; seconded, Catherine Clark.
- 10.25 NFC needs to determine the degree-granting academic units at NTID for recognizing formal membership. While discussing this, it was revealed that Cultural and Creative Studies (CCS) offers a minor and certificate, but not a formal degree. Therefore, the current draft of NFC membership needs to be updated to reflect this.

Motion #1: Update/revise the academic department list of representatives effectively creating a 3rd at-large position in NFC for CCS (7 for, 1 abstention): Motion, Mark Rosica; seconded, Ed Mineck.

Motion #2: Extend a special invitation to Lecturer Camille Ouellette to regularly attend as a non-voting member. In the spirit of continuity, Camille's history with NFC and the fact that she is finishing the 3rd year of her term this spring seem to warrant this invitation. (7 for): Motion, Mark Rosica; seconded, Jessica Trussell

- 10.26 Discussion began on suggested edits to the bylaws (3-1-04) distributing to the committee through Google Drive.

Prior to the meeting, some committee members had made some suggested edits, other committee members had not yet reviewed the document. A suggestion was put forth that NFC should use Academic Senate's most recent bylaws as a model to follow while making the extensive changes that might be needed. NFC members will individually review the entire bylaws document and make their suggested edits. This will be reviewed collectively at the next meeting (11/7/17).

- 10.27 Discussion on how our bylaws amendments are disseminated to community

The plan is to have all reps disseminate any proposed edits to the NFC bylaws to their academic units in a standardized fashion to mitigate confusion across the college. NFC will share potential incremental updates once full membership has been achieved. Promotional materials that NFC develops towards this endeavor should include:

- 1) A clear definition of NFC
- 2) Our purpose
- 3) Our goal(s)

- 4) Our representation model
- 5) Issues/topics committee can/will/should address.

There were suggestions to also include:

- 1) Some historical accomplishments of NFC
- 2) Clarifying appropriate representation due to organizational changes to the institute
- 3) We need to emphasize we represent the people of rank who form the committee.
- 4) A visual aid that delineates NFC's functions.

Further discussion will continue.

10.28 Regarding future membership, both the American Sign Language and Interpreting Education (ASLIE) department and Cultural and Creative Studies (CCS) have agreed to invite Ed to department meetings to discuss this matter. Liberal Studies has indicated they are actively seeking a member for representation.

10.29 Agenda for 11/7/17 was proposed

10.30 Adjournment