

April 15, 2015

MEMO TO: Academic Senate

FROM: Hank Liese   
Chair, Senate Faculty Review Standards Committee (SFRSC)

RE: Annual Report, 2014-2015

### **Transition Year**

This was a transition year for the Committee, which included the following changes:

- A name change, from the University RPT Standards Committee, to the Senate Faculty Review Standards Committee.
- The addition of 6 career-line faculty to the Committee, bringing membership from 16 to 23.
- Additional responsibilities, beyond reviewing and approving department and college RPT statements. The SFRSC is now responsible for reviewing and approving (1) all Tenured Faculty Review (TFR) statements and (2) all career-line statements for appointment, reappointment, and reappointment with promotion.
- Formation of a subcommittee comprised of all career-line SFRSC members and two tenure-line members to review career-line statements prior to their formal review and approval by the full Committee.

### **Meeting Schedule**

The full Senate Faculty Review Standards Committee moved from monthly meetings to bi-monthly meetings in 2014-2015. Meeting dates were as follows:

<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
September 22	January 26
November 24	March 23
	May 11 (if needed)

### **Department/College Reviews**

The following department/college statements have come to the SFRSC this academic year for review:

1. School of Medicine (tenure-line, conditional approval)
2. College of Fine Arts (career-line, provisional approval)
3. Marriott Library (tenure-line and career-line combined, conditional approval)
4. Sociology (discrete changes to existing statement, approved on an expedited basis)
5. Family and Consumer studies (under review)
6. Bioengineering (discrete changes to existing statement, under review)

## **RPT Template**

Leading out on the development of a common template for RPT statements was Amy Wildermuth, Associate Vice President for Faculty. The SFRSC gave input on the template in its development stages, and the most current template draft is being piloted by the following departments and colleges:

1. College of Health (working toward a college-level RPT document)
2. College of Fine Arts (Film & Media Arts, Theatre, Modern Dance)
3. College of Science (Math, Biology)
4. Family and Consumer Studies

## **Additional SFRSC Activities in 2014-2015**

- Input on the development of a new Tenured Faculty Review (TFR) policy.
- Input on (and approval of) changes to University Policy 6-310 which will grant due process rights to career-line faculty.
- Preliminary discussion on the development, through the SFRSC and Office for Faculty, of templates for both career-line and TFR statements.