Faculty Council Committee Report

Month: January Year: 2024

COMMITTEE: Academic Freedom

SUBMITTED BY: Gingo, Diana And Farrar, Ryan, Co-Chairs

Last Meeting Date: (List date of last physical meeting or the dates of e-discussions)

Monday, January 08, 2024

Active Members: (List all members who attended meeting/or contributed to work listed in this report in order of last name, i.e., John Adams, Mary Barr, Fred Cox, etc.)

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Co-Chairs: Ryan Farrar and Diana Gingo

Members in Attendance: Shannon Bates, Daniel Betti, Tony Howard, Kathy Morgan, Karrie Newby,

Gina Perkins, Thomas Pickens, Linda Sears

Summary of Discussions/Activities: (List the current items your committee is addressing, status update on those items, action items completed, any subcommittee work, person(s) responsible for each action item, etc.)

At the request of Faculty Council, the Academic Freedom Committee met to discuss a formal process for reporting academic freedom concerns and violations at the college. The committee discussed various perspectives and possible processes. After an extensive discussion, the committee proposes we create a Google Form to report concerns; the completed forms would go directly to the current Academic Freedom co-chairs.

Summary of Action Items: (List action items current underway)

Co-chairs will provide an update to Faculty Council at the next meeting, and the committee will brainstorm and later discuss form questions, content, and other specifics.

Date of Next Meeting: To be determined. Confirmed? (Y/N): N