

Memorandum

TO: Faculty Senate
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SUBJECT: Monthly Report

There are several topics currently making their way through ADAC that may be of interest to Faculty Senate:

1. **Course Alignment/Renumbering** Associate Vice President and Deputy Provost Greg Fant has organized a committee of about 40 faculty and staff to address this issue. One unintended consequence that has already appeared is that the NMSU implementation of Banner can only use 4 characters as the course “number”. Tentatively, it looks like if we go to the proposed system using 4 numbers for every class (three to indicate the course number and a fourth to indicate the number of credits) we will lose the ability to include suffixes such as “G”, “V”, “H”, “L” and any others that are currently used.
2. **Role of Leadership in Promotion and Tenure** A review of how “Leadership” as provided by Department Heads and Deans is considered in the Promotion and Tenure process at our peer institutions has been completed. A memo regarding this study will be considered by the Faculty Affairs subcommittee this month to make recommendations.
3. **Prop 08-12/13 and Prop 09-12/13** These two propositions passed last year and signed by then President Pacheco were “Memorials” and will not be acted upon by the current administration. They will be rewritten this year as Propositions requiring policy changes and processed through the usual Faculty Senate procedures.
4. **FGRB Policy** This policy (section 4.05.50) is under revision based on recent experiences to clarify responsibilities of the various parties.
5. **New Propositions** Prop 02-2013/2014 and Prop 03-2013/2014 will be introduced to the Senate this afternoon. Prop 02 deals with satisfactory performance while Prop 03 is a memorial in support of resolving the Legislative Lottery Scholarship financial shortfall.

Other topics and items being followed are:

1. Status of teaching across state lines and how it will affect our programs (continuing).
2. ADAC response to the Huron report on distance education at NMSU (continuing).
3. Evaluation of undergraduate international transfer credits (continuing).