

## Minutes of the Governance Council

September 18, 2014

Members present: Chauhan, Duffy, Jackson, Nagaraj, Olaye, Vovchuk, Murphy

1. Susan Dinan, vice-chair of the Senate, formally charged the Governance Council, and reviewed the charges regarding Emeritus Status and Elections Council in some detail.
2. Jackson and Nagaraj were nominated as co-chairs of the Governance Council, and they were unanimously elected.
3. Vovchuk volunteered to be secretary.
4. Duffy reviewed the progress made on the issue of Emeritus qualifications and what remains to be discussed. He also noted that two new questions regarding Emeritus qualifications had been raised:
  - a. Should there be a “statute of limitations” on an Emeritus nomination? That is to say, can a retired faculty member be nominated for Emeritus status no matter how long ago they retired?
  - b. Should there be any restrictions on who in a candidate’s department is permitted to vote on the matter? Should there be rules that only department faculty who have known/worked with/worked with for a certain number of years be permitted to vote?
5. The Council reviewed the Emeritus nomination of Candidate A. Duffy and Chauhan spoke in strong support of Candidate A. Duffy will write up a proposal for the next meeting.
6. The Council discussed the Emeritus nomination of Candidate B. The Council decided the resume should be brought up to date (as of the date of retirement) and composed in a more professional manner before Candidate B will be considered. Jackson will contact Candidate B’s department and give them the opportunity to rectify the situation.
7. Nagaraj will send a Doodle poll to schedule the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Vovchuk