

Faculty Salary and Budget Committee
Meeting #9 - Minutes of February 8, 2008

PRESENT: Ed Aboufadel, Teresa Bacon-Baguley, Larry Burns (Chair), Doug Busman, Gregg Dimkoff, Marinus DeBruine, Robert Hollister, Paul Johnson, Fran Kelleher, Kim Ranger, Donijo Robbins, Al Sheffield, Paul Stephenson, Elaine Van Doren, Xandra Xu

GUESTS: Steve Glass, Curtis Smith, YanYu

1. The meeting was called to order at 11.59.50 am
2. Review of minutes
The minutes of 1/25/08 were approved, as amended.
3. Review of Chinese Studies Major Final Plan
The Chinese Major Final Plan which was distributed earlier was presented and a summarized graph of the budget and enrollment projection was distributed.

Prof. Curtis Smith and Prof. Steve Glass joined the meeting to advocate for the Final Plan and answer questions from the committee members. There was lengthy discussion and included questions on the proposed enrollment, the requirement for mandated travel abroad and the subsequent cost(s), and whether or not joint appointments would be utilized to support the program.

Upon no further questions from the committee, Drs. Smith and Glass excused themselves.

Discussion continued on the Chinese Studies Major. It was agreed that the budget as proposed is feasible, but considerable concern was raised about the projected enrollment. While the committee unanimously supports the Final Plan in principle, they had sufficient reservations about making a recommendation to ECS until they are able to review a draft recommendation from the Chair. The Chair will prepare a draft for review and present it at the next meeting.

4. Reciprocity Waivers at Public Universities in Michigan
A memo for consideration of undergraduate and graduation tuition waiver reciprocity between the Public Universities in Michigan that was distributed earlier was discussed.

This will be explored further by the Chair. Teresa Bacon-Baguley will send the Chair proposed language.

5. The memo regarding the 399/499 task force was distributed and discussed.

Paul Stephenson reported that a survey is being sent to all faculty regarding this very topic and will forward a copy of the survey to the Chair.

6. The meeting adjourned at 1:30pm