Senate Meeting  
January 13, 2011  
Minutes

1. **Approval of the Minutes.** The minutes of the December 9 senate meeting were approved.

2. **Report of the Chair, Richard Harnett**
Chair Harknett opened discussion of the Chair’s report, which was submitted earlier. The text of the report can be found on the Faculty Senate website. Chair Harknett provided additional updates to the submitted report. Provost Ono has agreed to the invitation to a Senate meeting. This session is envisioned as a working session with the Senate functioning as a feedback group. Senate Cabinet has recommended that agenda items be timed in order that the meeting will fit between the 3:30-5pm timeframe. There has been coordination with the Deans of Clermont and Raymond Walters Colleges on the matter of Senate meetings taking place at those colleges. Each college will host one Senate meeting in the spring and one meeting during the fall. The April meeting will take place at Clermont College, and a tour will be offered. Chair Harknett reported on a meeting with Undergraduate student government representatives.

3. **Report of the President of the University of Cincinnati, Gregory Williams**
President Williams provided an update on the university budget process for FY2012. The President indicated that it is unclear what the state budget will portend for the university. There is a series of budget meetings taking place, and the President has asked for information from departments as to how each unit would deal with a 20% cut. The state budget will not be formed until March. The President underscored the seriousness of budget meetings, and the university-wide budget retreat. President Williams indicated that he has talked with the Governor on a number of occasions, and that the Governor is favorably disposed to UC, and is impressed with the amount of research that we are doing, and the role of the university in economic development. The President provided an update on the pending appointment to the UC Board of Trustees.

4. **Discussion of Distributed Reports of Standing Committees**
Chair Harknett emphasized that the Budget and Priorities Committee will be reviewing the information from the university-wide budget retreat. There will be a report at the February Senate meeting.

5. **Report of the President of the AAUP**
Chair Harknett reported for John McNay. There was concern that the Provost’s Advisory Board had no untenured faculty representation. John McNay has received a letter from the provost indicating that the membership will be expanded.

6. **Report of the Graduate Student Government Association President**
There was no report.

7. **Report of the Student Government Association President**
Nick Hertlein reported for Drew Smith. Information on the letter-writing campaign to Governor Kasich was provided. Additional information can be found at [www.uc.edu/sga](http://www.uc.edu/sga). Student government requested that students be informed of this opportunity. The intent of this campaign is that it is a way for students to have a say in what can impact their future.
8. **New Business**  
**Academic Master Plan (AMP)**  
Chair Harknett opened the discussion of the AMP process with an update of the work of the faculty working group. The draft document was posted in December. Soon, the four working groups will be brought together, and then the steering committee will complete the first draft of the AMP. Sometime in April, the AMP will be rolled-out into the university integrated decision-making process. The AMP will be presented by the Provost at the All-University Faculty meeting in May. Chair Harknett indicated that the working group found ways to create a framework that was flexible and nimble. There was a question of how to incorporate assessment, specifically student feedback. There was a request for a broadening of the entry concerning libraries, since the libraries support all aspects of the report. In response, Chair Harknett indicated that the report was providing a conceptual, rather than specific, framework for the process. There was a discussion of how the basic language requirement fits in to the document. Chair Harknett provided a reminder that the blog can be used to send in input.

**Faculty Development Opportunities**  
Frank Wray has been asked to serve on the AAUP Faculty Development Committee. There was a discussion of compliance with Article 24. Chair Harknett requested that Frank Wray put together a request.

9. **Announcements**  
Vice-Chair John Cuppoletti will chair the February Senate meeting.

10. **Adjournment.** Motion to adjourn: The motion to adjourn the January meeting of the Faculty Senate carried.

Respectfully submitted by: Arlene Johnson, Secretary of the Faculty Senate