

**Constitution Committee
Minutes
October 14, 2005
10:30-noon
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Attendees:

Chris Snodgrass
Danaya Wright
Joe Glover
Elizabeth Dale
Barbara Wingo
Tim Taylor

Absent:

Joe Little
Eric Triplett

Chris Snodgrass called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

The committee amended and approved minutes from the September 16, 2005 meeting.

The committee added to the day's agenda a review of language proposed by the University Library Committee to update its charge.

The committee approved changes to Senate Bylaw 7 for submission for Senate approval.

The committee reviewed language proposed to establish the Sustainability Committee. It was decided the language properly belongs in a Bylaw and that the Sustainability Committee should be a Joint Standing Committee. In order to clarify several questions that arose, Elizabeth Dale will redraft the language and will consult the sustainability report for a good definition of sustainability.

The committee discussed the status of faculty rights through a grievance appeal process. Barbara Wingo will review the Constitution and advise the committee what language has already been included and what remains to be done.

Proposed changes to academic honesty regulations were given the "green light" by the committee. Danaya Wright will draft a "green light" report to the Senate on proposed regulations.

Danaya Wright will also edit and post on the web the Operating Procedures of the Constitution Committee

The chair will write to the Committee on Committees and to the University Libraries Committee requesting clarification of proposed language defining the composition of the slate of nominees for election to the University Libraries Committee.

The chair reported that Kyle Cavanaugh discussed grievance procedures with the Faculty Welfare Council. He will continue discussing them with various groups and will report back eventually to the Council.

It was agreed that draft language finalizing the creation of the policy councils needs to be completed. It was also agreed that “constitutional cleanup” will occur in the Spring term.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 4.