Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 26, 2012

9:00 AM, 245 POT

Present: Anibal Biglieri, Anna Bosch, Jeremy Crampton, David Hamilton, Tom Janoski, Betty Lorch, Brian Rymond, and Ted Schatzki

1. The meeting was called to order by Brian Rymond.
2. The minutes from October 15 and November 5 were approved.
3. The Committee had a robust discussion regarding the Undergraduate Committee Report. Associate Dean Schatzki asked the Committee to pay particular attention to Charge 5, response 5. “Make recommendations for revising the faculty reward system so as to encourage better teaching, enable more of it and foster a greater willingness to redesign and experiment with courses.” The Committee proposes there be a greater emphasize put on valuing excellent teaching in promotion from associate to full professor. Brian Rymond stated that this regulation is in the ARs. In response, the idea is to make this more of a cultural acceptance. The Committee discussed the report further and the Dean plans to share the report with the departments in the spring.
4. The Committee also discussed MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses) and the effects they may have on the College and how we teach in the future.