## **OA Council Minutes**

December 13, 2011, 10:00 am – 11:30 am 109 Friendly

Members			Lead Assignment/Title			Present		
Miriam Bolton						Arrived Late		
Patricia Easley						X		
David Espinoza						X		
Linda Leon						X		
Deb Mailander						X		
Colleen McKillip			Meeting chair			X		
Lisa Raleigh						X		
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Guests								
Mary Beth Allen			OA Unearned Sick Leave and OA General Employment Policy			X		
Linda King					X			
Item 1	Item2	Item 3		Item 4	Item 5 and 6 FYIs		<u>FYIs</u>	Standing Agenda
Meeting Minutes	OA Policy Review	Update o	on OA	Update on SEC Meeting	Review Qualtrics Survey Comments Planning for 2012 Approval of minutes			

Topic	Discussion	Decision	Assignment
Approve Meeting	September, October 2011 meeting minutes approved. OAC meeting	Minutes Approved	
Minutes	not held in November, therefore there are no minutes to approve.		
OA Policy Review	Unearned Sick Leave – Mary Beth introduced the new policy and provided historical background to the existing sick leave advance policy, e.g., intended for one-time catastrophic illness, complement long-time disability insurance, primarily designed for teaching faculty (1970s). Updates to policy are intended to provide better stewardship of public funds, create a better tracking system of the use of advanced sick leave, and create a system with clear criteria to assist managers when considering requests for advanced sick leave. The goal is to install new policy by Jan. 1, 2013.	Comments/suggestion s from OAC will be considered.	Linda King/Mary Beth

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•	<ul> <li>OAC suggestions: <ul> <li>Change language to allow for the care of sick family members</li> <li>Maintain compassion for this type of situation while installing controls to prevent abuse</li> <li>Consider ways to address circumstances where illness occurs near the end of the contract period for an employee whose contract renewal is certain. e. g., Dean could certify contract will be renewed to allow employee to utilize advance sick leave policy (up to 96 hrs.)</li> <li>Take advantage of a teaching moment as there is not much clarity on what circumstances qualify for short-term disability.</li> <li>Offer informational meetings; consider other payback options, e.g., cash payments.</li> </ul> </li> <li>OA General Employment Policy – document is still in very rough draft form and is not ready for public display.</li> </ul>		
Items 3, 4, 5 & 6		Tabled until next meeting of OAC	•
Next Meeting	Dec. 27, 2011 9:30-11:00 – Location 124 Agate Hall		

Recorder: Linda León