University Advisory Council on Teaching Meeting  
February 6, 2003 4:00 p.m.


1. Discussion of Master Teacher Program. Gary reviewed with the group the details of the offer letter sent to Harvey Brightman and noted that we expect to hear back from Harvey about his willingness to facilitate the program within the next few days. Maryam noted the importance of timing for this program and stated that we must begin recruiting both students and co-facilitators now. We are seeking approximately 35 “students,” as well as three or four core co-facilitators and an additional three or four faculty members to help review the videotapes that participants will bring to the program. We will recruit them by sending a letter to the deans asking them to nominate a certain number of participants in ranked order so that we can invite the first tier, and then others if some of those are unable to attend. The group agreed that the letter to the deans seeking nominations of faculty participants should stress that faculty at all levels can benefit from this experience, and should also emphasize the applicability to all disciplines for this - not just Business. Also, UACT members should feel free to talk this program up among their colleagues, even though the final nominations for participants will come from the deans. We agreed that a good deadline for the deans' nominations would be March 10. In addition, there will be a stipend available for those faculty who are reviewing tapes (in the amount of $500), and for the core co-facilitators (in the amount of $2,000).

2. Other subcommittee reports:
   Evaluation – Molly is trying to set up a meeting with this subcommittee and Daniel Teodorescu, so she asked members to stay after the meeting to accomplish this. Also, Rick is conducting a university-wide evaluation of the TATTO program, and thus may join this subcommittee.
   Programming – Not present; no report. Gary noted that it is definitely time to be thinking about speakers for next year, and he urged members to please get some suggestions for either speakers or in-house panels to the members of this subcommittee (Ken and Wendy) and/or to Kirsten ASAP.
   Promotion and Tenure – Michael has acquired a list of all faculty in the Medical School who got tenure in past six years, and he believes it demonstrates that with one exception, they were all promoted for their research, not teaching. Gary suggested the problem with this kind of anecdotal evidence is that it is difficult to know exactly why individuals get promoted if it’s not written down anywhere, so the question becomes how to find this out in terms of hard data. Bob noted that this information would be readily available from the College, but others noted that this is not the case for every school. Rick and Arri wondered if UACT might be able to get anonymous data from the schools about this, and Kirsten suggested that each member report to Michael or Darrell whether or not this information would be available from their respective school or not. This committee needs suggestions from the group about how to proceed if this information is unavailable from each school.
3. **Update on Leon Botstein visit Feb. 25-26.** Kirsten distributed flyers to the members, asking them to disseminate them to faculty and grad students in their schools. She discussed the various mechanisms of publicity we are currently employing both internally and off-campus, but also urged members to attend the lecture on Feb. 25th and to encourage their colleagues to come as well.

4. **Update on recent “Developing a Teaching Persona” workshop.** Kirsten reported that this workshop was a success, with Helen moderating and Bobbi Patterson, Patrick Allitt, and Patrick Noonan as panelists. Those members in attendance voiced agreement that the panel stimulated lively and productive debate around various styles of teaching and classroom interaction.

**Next meeting March 6, 2003.**

Submitted by Kirsten Rambo.