CEPP Meeting Minutes

04.15.2021

Zoom Conference 4:10-5 pm.

Attendees: Sophia Paulino Adames, Peter von Allmen, Andrew Bozio, Sean Heaney, Jina Mao, Feryaz Ocakli, Michael Orr, Mahesh Shankar, Leigh Wilton

Guest attendees: Members of ATC and PC, including ATC chair Mary Crone Odekon and PC chair Barbara Black.

Scribe: Mahesh Shankar

Minutes will be approved via email.

1) Discussing CEPP's proposal for reforming the teaching evaluation process towards a more holistic model with representatives of ATC and PC.

Chair of CEPP contextualized the current effort at reforming the teaching evaluation process, and the document with handbook changes under discussion. Members of ATC and PC asked questions about CEPP's thi

ATC/PC member clarified that they would like to keep student evaluations a mandatory part of the overall evaluation process.

CEPP member clarified that one reason to avoid bullet points, in CEPP's thinking, is to keep the language more general and capacious, with a specific list to be provided elsewhere, for instance in specific ATC/PC documents.

ATC/PC member emphasized that the spirit of the document in general is in line with what ATC/PC are trying to do.

ATC/PC member had a question about the last paragraph (self-reflection) – whether the long paragraph is exhaustive or prescriptive. CEPP clarified that these are examples drawn from earlier in the document rather than an exhaustive or prescriptive list.

ATC/PC member suggested that CEPP should work quickly on what peer evaluation looks like, in order to avoid anxiety in faculty about what is being looked for in such evaluations. ATC/PC member suggested that more specificity may be better, for example a more detailed definition/description of what we mean by equity.

CEPP member acknowledged role of students in these deliberations.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00.