

Minutes from Academic Freedom Committee Meeting, 9/4/19, Room N780.

Attending: Professors Glaser, Clock, Shneyderman, and Bulley.

Absent: Professors Glisson, Jeshmaridian, and Sofaini.

The meeting reached quorum at 2:20 pm.

I. Elections:

A. We elected Professor Glaser as Chair of the Academic Freedom Committee.

B. We decided to postpone the election for Secretary until the next meeting.

II. This meeting centered mainly on discussion. We made special reference to the AAUP Statement which says:

“The faculty has primary responsibility for such fundamental areas as curriculum, subject matter and methods of instruction, research, faculty status, and those aspects of student life which relate to the educational process. On these matters the power of review or final decision lodged in the governing board or delegated by it to the president should be exercised adversely only in exceptional circumstances, and for reasons communicated to the faculty.”

III. Our discussion, therefore, focused on the direction our committee could take during this academic year:

A. Following Design for Success in its process and progress.

B. Exploring the possibility of linking-up with the Instruction Committee to be sure relevant information is disseminated to the Faculty as it pertains to the AAUP primary responsibility of the Faculty.

C. Encouraging further discussion of Design for Success.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Professor Gerard Clock, 9/4/19.*