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**MINUTES OF THE SACUA MEETING OF 10 NOVEMBER 2008**

**Present:** Fraser, Navvab, Poe, Potter (Chair), Riles, Stark; Lehman; Carr, Schneider

**Absent:** Frier, Frost, Thouless

**Guests:** none

**MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED**

1. Draft agenda
2. Draft minutes of 3 November 2008

Chair Potter convened the meeting at 2:40 P.M. The proposed agenda was approved.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of 3 November were approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. The chair is trying to arrange time for a meeting with Phil Hanlon regarding capital project priorities.
2. Nominations have been developed at the provost's request for evaluation of interdisciplinary professorship proposals.
3. SACUA needs more information before it finalizes its nominations for the provost's grievance procedure committee.
4. Federal regulations about how individuals report their race are being changed. The provost has asked for advice about a university response.

**PREPARATION FOR SENATE ASSEMBLY**

SACUA members reviewed the draft agenda for the 10 November Senate Assembly meeting.

Financial Affairs Advisory-

Professor Poe reported that financial operations is trying to streamline and speed up the pace of travel reimbursements. She added that they are exploring the imposition of a strict per diem policy for meals. There has been no discussion of benefits.

Copyright Policy-

Dr. Fraser reported that the committee is considering advance notification for faculty who receive “unusual resources.”

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Professor Stark recommended that SACUA develop a set of questions for CFO Slottow in advance of the December meeting of Senate Assembly. Questions should be directed to the Senate Office staff. Questions will be welcome from members of the Senate Assembly as well as from other members of the university community.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

John Lehman  
Senate Secretary

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