Second Chance for New Faculty to Attend GST 600

The committee discussed the idea of offering a second chance (in 08-09) to current new faculty who were unable or did not attend GST 600 this year. By offering this opportunity, the committee can also catch late comers who were unable to register for GST 600.

Name Tags

Jenkins announced that the name tags would cost $4.50/tag or $3.50/tag if more than twelve were ordered. The committee then discussed if SEC members would be able to attend enough campus events to warrant the cost.

The committee believed that the cost was low enough that it can go forward with ordering them.

The committee also discussed the possibility of ordering departmental nametags for new faculty as a perk for attending GST 600. No decision was made.

GST 600 Follow Up

The committee still needs to create a survey for new faculty to evaluate GST 600. Members had discussed this idea last fall, but an instrument was not created. Drury and Jenkins will work on the survey.

The committee also discussed the need to create guidelines for the new faculty development funds, an opportunity created to reward those who attend GST 600. Hebert reminded everyone that the revenue generated from the course would pay for these development funds.

SEC Activity in the Spring

- Three informal meetings for fall GST 600 members. These meetings would involve the following:
  - Importance of serving as a GST 100 mentor – the committee questioned whether or not this could be held in the fall semester as part of 600. That way, volunteering “graduates” of GST 600 could discuss their experience as a GST 100 mentor with current new faculty.
  - Encouraging former GST 600 faculty to become mentors to the “new class.”
  - A new faculty forum – this would give new faculty the opportunity to express themselves on various university issues. SEC members would provide structure and serve as moderators.
- Other issues:
  - Salinero agreed to forward the SEC Action Plan to the committee so everyone could get an idea of the original goals and objectives.
o We need to ensure that GST 600 has staying power – who will be responsible for it in perpetuity? – This question brought up the importance of documenting all of the committee’s activities (policies and procedures, so to speak)

o More emphasis on the students – a stronger bond between GST 100 and GST 600.

*The next meeting was tentatively set for 4:00, November 26, 2007 at the Bean Counter.*