

Faculty Status Committee

Annual Report 2012-2013

Membership 2012-2013:

Tony Wilcox '13, Co-Chair	Biological & Population Health Sciences
Evan Gottlieb '14, Co-Chair	Writing, Literature, and Film
Shirley Dodsworth '13	Psychology
Brian Haley '13	Oceanic and Atmospheric Sciences
Armelle Denis '14	Language, Culture, and Society
Albrecht Jander '14	Electrical Engineering & Computer Science
Vidyasagar Sathuvalli '15	Crop & Soil Science
Wendy Hein '15	Extension Service
Cheryl Middleton '15	University Libraries

Activities of the Faculty Status Committee in 2012-2013

1. Drafted proposals to create the Professor of Practice faculty rank and the Senior II promotion level; worked with the Faculty Senate Promotion & Tenure Committee to take proposals to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and then to the Faculty Senate. The proposals were presented to the Faculty Senate at its March 14 meeting (documents can be found at: <http://oregonstate.edu/senate/agen/2013/0314/>). The proposals were an action item on the Faculty Senate's April 11 agenda (see <http://oregonstate.edu/senate/agen/2013/0411/> for documents). Proposals were approved as presented. President Ray approved the new faculty ranks on May 10, 2013, as communicated to the campus by Senior Vice Provost Becky Warner and Faculty Senate President Kevin Gable in an Inform email entitled "[New Faculty Ranks](#)" dated May 29, 2013.
2. The research in preparation for the proposal to create the Senior II level of promotion of Instructors and Faculty Research Assistants revealed that the College of Liberal Arts had the largest number of Instructors but, in the opinion of the Faculty Status Committee, had promoted relatively few of them to the Senior Instructor rank. The Faculty Status Committee shared this finding with CLA leadership, and received a response indicating a commitment by CLA leadership to actively promote their qualified Instructors.
3. Armelle Denis and Evan Gottlieb represented the Faculty Status Committee on a project with members of the OSU Chapter of the American Association of University Professors to develop and conduct a survey of Contingent (Fixed-Term) Faculty. The survey was administered online between May 8 and June 8, 2013. The survey had a 46% response rate of the 2771 contingent faculty receiving it. Survey results will be analyzed through the summer, with an expected report to be shared with the Faculty Senate and campus during Fall Term 2013.

Activities anticipated for the Faculty Status Committee for 2013-14

1. Monitor implementation of the new faculty ranks approved in 2012-13, with particular attention to the promotion of Instructors.

2. Conduct an analysis of the growth in the number of administrators at OSU in recent years to determine whether or not it was disproportionate to growth in the number of faculty.