

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

12 noon – 2 pm

Present: Sonja, Islam, Maria, Bill (chair of the committee)

Discussion around the following questions on TA funds as the committee is trying to gather data.

For each of the three travel funds (AAUP FT, AAUP PT, Creative Activity), what are the figures for the past 5 years for:

- a. What was the Initial amount in the fund at the beginning of the year (including allocation and roll over from previous year)?
- b. How much was spent (total of all trips that came out of funds)?
- c. How much was rolled over to next year?
- d. How many faculty traveled?
- e. How many faculty applied and were told fund were depleted?
- f. How many faculty asked to be on the waiting list?
- g. How many faculty were denied because funds ran out?

In the process of collecting data the additional issues/questions were:

- Should the faculty applications be fair and does not disadvantage those whose conferences are later in the year?
- Should the administration raise more funds for our CBA required category 2, which is also on our evaluations?
- Should the FCARG funds be increased? Currently at \$85,000 which yields funds for about 34 faculty.
 - Should the distribution be paid as a grant, non-salary funds thus, avoid the taxes (i.e. P-card set up)
- Could the Budget and Planning examine the pros/cons on the online courses and provide a cost benefit analysis?
 - Online vs hybrid vs on ground courses with tuition and expenses data analysis

Respectfully submitted,

Maria