VICE PROVOST BARBARA A. HORWITZ
Academic Personnel

Re: Revised Voting Procedures - Evolution & Ecology

The Committee on Academic Personnel (CAP) has reviewed the revised voting procedures for the Department of Evolution and Ecology. CAP finds the procedures acceptable.

Chip Martel, Chair
Committee on Academic Personnel

Enclosure
March 8, 2011

Kenneth C. Burtis, Dean
College of Biological Sciences

Dear Ken,

By a written vote of 23 to 0, the ladder faculty member of the Department of Evolution and Ecology have agreed to extend voting rights on all personnel actions to the Senior Lecturer SOE series.

I understand that our request should now be forwarded by you for consideration by Vice Provost Barbara Horwitz and the Committee on Academic Personnel.

With thanks,

Maureen Stanton
Professor and Chair

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In Concurrence:

Kenneth C. Burtis
Dean

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April 25, 2011

Dr. Barbara Horwitz
Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

Dear Barbara:

This letter is a follow-up to a previous one, dated March 8 of this year, which I sent to CBS Dean Ken Burtis. In that letter, I advised Dean Burtis and, by extension, CAP that the ladder faculty within the Department of Evolution and Ecology had voted unanimously to extend voting rights on Academic Senate personnel actions to the Senior Lecturer SOE title. In reviewing our request for this change, CAP asked that I provide more details about our current voting policy, and how that will be altered by the new policy.

Currently, EVE policy is that all ladder faculty, both junior and senior to the position being voted on, have the right to vote on all Academic Senate personnel actions. The proposed change would extend that voting privilege to the Senior Lecturer SOE series.

Here, I provide some brief history of our voting policies. EVE’s initial voting policy was established by vote in December 1993, at the formation of the reorganized Division of Biological Sciences. In that division-wide vote, at which voting policies were established for all five sections, faculty members of EVE voted 8 to 5 to extend voting rights on all merits and promotions to members in the Assistant Professor series, short of the two-thirds majority required to do so. On October 18, 1994, voting EVE faculty members unanimously approved extending voting rights to ladder faculty at all ranks, including Assistant Professor. That change was approved on November 30, 1994. The current request, approved by a written vote of 23 to 0, is for voting rights on all Academic Senate personnel actions to be extended to the Senior Lecturer SOE title.

I hope that this short summary has provided the information needed by CAP. Please let me know if you need anything else.

All the best,

Maureen Stanton
Professor and Chair

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