

**Summary of Actions, SLA Faculty Assembly, Fall 2007-Spring 2008**

	<b>Proposals</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
<b>September 21, 2007</b>	That the Faculty Assembly form an ad hoc subcommittee to explore the possibility of convening a symposium on the status of academic free speech.	Passed unanimously
<b>November 2, 2007</b>	<p>The Faculty Assembly of the IU School of Liberal Arts directs its representatives to the IFC and UFC and the Dean to convey to those bodies the following resolution for action in time to make the requested changes to the Summer II instructors' payment schedule:</p> <p>Whereas the 2007 Summer I payment schedule for instructors matches the final installment of pay closely with the end of the session, the final installment of the Summer II session occurred well after the date grades had to be reported to the Registrar. For Summer II 2008 and subsequent years the date for the final pay for the session is to be no later than the due date for grade reporting to the Registrar.</p>	Passed unanimously
	<p>The Faculty Assembly of the IU School of Liberal Arts directs its representatives to the IFC and UFC and the dean to convey [to those bodies] the following resolution for action in time to make the requested changes for the next Academic Year (2008-2009):</p> <p>Whereas many colleges and universities offer their nine or ten-month faculty the option of a</p>	Passed unanimously

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	<p>pay schedule over twelve months, this option is currently not available at IUPUI or IU. The IU School of Liberal Arts faculty requests that a twelve-month payment schedule option be offered to ten-month faculty, beginning Academic Year 2008-2009.</p>	
<b>January 25, 2008</b>	<p>Proposal from the Department of Anthropology for a master's degree in Applied Anthropology.</p>	Passed unanimously
	<p>The Graduate Curriculum Committee motions that syllabi for graduate level Variable Topics courses be approved at the departmental level, rather than having them reviewed by the Graduate Curriculum Committee. Doing so will considerably streamline the process of getting these courses approved and is consistent with the procedure at the undergraduate level.</p>	Passed unanimously
<b>February 29, 2008</b>	<p>Two amendments to the Faculty Assembly Bylaws, denoted with <i>italics</i>.</p> <p>1) <b>IV.2.b.</b> Terms: All standing committee appointments and elections will be for two-year, staggered terms, except for the Enhancement Review Committee for which the term is three years. <i>To reassert balanced staggering of terms within a committee, the Agenda Council may specify before election or at the time of appointment that the term of a position is limited to a single year.</i> Terms begin at the end of the spring semester.</p>	Passed unanimously

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	<p>Committees that may need to conduct business during the summer should designate a contact person.</p> <p>2) IV.4.a. <u>Academic Affairs Committee</u></p> <p>The Academic Affairs Committee will apply to individual cases the existing policies of Indiana University, IUPUI, and the School of Liberal Arts with regard to admission, dismissal, readmission, and grade changes, and it will recommend to the <del>Academic Standards and Policies</del> <i>Undergraduate Curriculum and Standards</i> Committee modifications or clarifications of these policies in the light of its experience.</p>	
	<p>The Faculty Assembly requests the installation of accurate and synchronized clocks in all classrooms and hallways in Cavanaugh Hall.</p>	<p>Passed unanimously</p>
	<p>Proposed undergraduate major in African American and African Diaspora Studies</p>	<p>Passed unanimously</p>
<p><b>April 18, 2008</b></p>	<p>That the faculty evaluation scale be simplified from the current five cardinal categories to three ordinal categories: Outstanding, Meets Departmental Expectations, and Unsatisfactory.</p>	<p>After discussion, tabled until Fall 2008</p>

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	<p>That the Faculty Assembly recommend to the Chairs that the annual pay increment envelope be separated in two parts of fixed size: one divided equally among faculty who meet expectations, and one allocated at the Chair's discretion to reward outstanding performance; and to the Dean that when salary sanctions are imposed on someone for unsatisfactory performance, the freed money be lost to that department.</p>	<p>After discussion, tabled until Fall 2008</p>
	<p>Proposed minors, one in Arabic and Islamic Studies and one in European Studies</p>	<p>Passed unanimously</p>
	<p>Modify the SLA History requirements such that may take either H114, Modern Western Civilization, or H109, The World Since 1800</p>	<p>Passed unanimously</p>
	<p>Resolution calling for the restoration of IUPUI's Copyright Management Center</p>	<p>Passed unanimously</p>
	<p>That the Faculty Assembly convey to the new Dean its support for the hiring of full-time faculty whose working conditions, training, and scholarship will support the growth of the Arabic Language concentration in the minor just approved.</p>	<p>Passed unanimously</p>