Southwestern Adventist University
Faculty/Staff Meeting
Pechero Hall, Room 128
April 18, 2006
1:00 p.m.


Introduction
The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by President Anderson, who read an Easter passage from the book of Luke, followed by prayer.

Tom Bunch Presentation
Tom Bunch showed a DVD that was filmed on campus by his son-in-law Elias. This was a tribute to the teaching faculty and others on campus. He thanked everyone for making a difference in the lives of students and reported appreciation for their friendship and support during his last five years as vice president for academic administration.

Graduation Announcement
Danna Burt reminded teaching faculty that grades are due at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3. She also announced the following changes for this year’s graduation:

- Admission on Sunday is by ticket only. Talk to Silvia Collins if you need tickets.
- Faculty and students will march double this year on a slightly wider platform.
- When individuals exit the gymnasium on Sunday, they need to continue moving away from the gym to the area on the lawn between the cafeteria and Pechero Hall where refreshments will be served. Please help us keep the crowd moving until they reach the lawn.
Graduation Potluck
Tom Bunch invited the faculty and staff to his home for Sabbath potluck after baccalaureate on May 6. Participants are asked to take food; about 100 usually attend the potluck.

Tribute to Tom Bunch
Eric Anderson and Bob Mendenhall gave a tribute to Tom Bunch. Bob Mendenhall read a biographical sketch and showed photos of Tom throughout his years at SWAU. Karl Konrad presented him with a card and a gift from the faculty and staff.

Faculty Professional Development
The vice president for academic administration thanked the faculty who reported involvement with professional activities during the school year and presented each participant with a check:

Faculty Changes
Tom Bunch reported that Jan Bradley and Joyce Melius have resigned. A reception is planned on May 2 for employees who are leaving SWAU. The chair rotation plan is going into effect next year. The faculty changes, subject to board approval next week, are:
- Elizabeth Bowser – Assistant Professor of History. Kip Bowser began employment this month as director of client relations in the ITS office.
- John Boyd – Assistant Professor of Music.
- Rod Bussey – Physical Education Departmental Chair.
- Eun-Young Kim – Director/Assistant Professor of ESL.
- Mitch Menzmer - Physical Sciences Departmental Chair.
- Roberto Valencia – Assistant Professor of Modern Languages.

Faculty Promotions
Tom Bunch announced the following promotions, subject to board approval next week:
- Michael England – Professor
- Steve Jones – Professor
- Mark Aldridge – Associate Professor
- David Anavitarte – Associate Professor
- Marcel Sargeant – Associate Professor
- Bill Atkins – Continuous Appointment
- David Anavitarte – Continuous Appointment
- Kirsten Harrington – Continuous Appointment
- Professor Emeritus – Erwin Sicher
- Senior Lecturer – Richard McCluskey
- Senior Lecturer – Erwin Sicher

Graduating Seniors
Members received a list of candidates for 2005-2006 graduation. It was VOTED to accept the list, subject to completion of all requirements. A copy of that list is attached to the original of these minutes.

Continued Admissions
Members received a report from Brenda Schnell, who represented the Admissions Committee. Faculty and staff members are asked to contact Tom Bunch, Brenda Schnell, or Steve Stafford if
they have knowledge of students who display behavior that makes others feel uncomfortable or unsafe.

**Inquiries**
Steve Stafford reported that from now on he will only send to departmental directors the phone numbers of students who are conditionally accepted, rather than flooding those directors with names of every person who applies for acceptance.

**Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m. Bill Kilgore offered closing prayer.

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*Eric Anderson*