We held our monthly meeting on 1/17/14, in the Greenblatt Library

Ongoing issues:

- Faculty Evaluation of Administrators (briefed to the Senate in December): This evaluation will be combined with an institutional survey being assembled by an HR contractor, Press Ganey. The contractor has been late in submitting its recommended questions, to which ours would be appended; that submission should have occurred by the end of January. G&C Committee representatives will meet with them in February, and the survey (originally planned for Marcy) is now likely to occur in April.
- GRU Policy drafts continue to be screened by the G&C Committee; we anticipate several to be sent to the Executive Committee and to the appropriate Senate Committee for review in February, and a Senate vote at the March meeting.
- The G&C Committee established a subcommittee for review of the GRU Statutes during CY2014, as required by the Statutes. We also tasked that subcommittee to contact the ExComm to see whether they can assist the Vice Chair in the similar review of the GRU Bylaws, as required by the Bylaws this year (i.e., 2 years after their enactment).

New issues:

- There has been some confusion and inconsistency in intrafaculty communications, with a policy in place (GRU Policy 10-1-10) stating for example that “All Faculty” emails must be approved by a VP, whereas there is a listserv (gru-faculty@lists.gru.edu) available for faculty to send out unofficial emails without such prior approval. There was also a question as to whether that listserv included all faculty, or all “full time” faculty; there may be a need for two different lists, one for “full-time” (voting) faculty and another for “part time” faculty. We established a subcommittee to find out exactly what the rules are, and then to establish a process to ensure that email senders understand those rules. The subcommittee will start by contacting the Provost’s office for guidance.
- There is a faculty election coming up this semester, to fill the Vice Chair’s slot for AY 2014-15 and to elect replacements for two senators-at-large whose terms are about to expire. We established a subcommittee to work with the ExComm in planning and holding these elections.

Our next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, 2/21, at 1:00PM in the Mathematics Department conference room, Allgood Hall, Summerville Campus (but that may be changed due to a conflict with an all-day CTL/OFDTE event).