

## Report from IFC meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup> 2006

This meeting followed so closely on the heels of the previous one that not a great deal new emerged, though there were some matters raised that likely will loom large in future meetings. One of those is so-called accountability, which is the new word for assessment. The consensus is that this will be a huge issue, and that the University needs to get out ahead of it. Another issue discussed concerned the draft Amorous Relationships Policy, the latest version of which you have in your packets. There is a desire to try to create more uniformity in faculty leave policies across the four campuses. A draft policy was circulated at the meeting for discussion by the appropriate IFC subcommittee. There also was some discussion of exploring more tenure clock flexibility in certain disciplines. That too was referred to the appropriate IFC subcommittee. Finally, it was announced that a NTT faculty policy was forthcoming as an Executive Order and that this was part of an ongoing process in which the aim was to be more inclusive, not less.