Indiana State University Bayh College of Education

Department Chair Performance Review

Purpose

The purpose of this Department Chair performance review is to provide a mechanism by which faculty and staff in each department can provide constructive feedback to department chairs. The process is designed to highlight both strengths and opportunities for improvement in the chairs' support of their department's teaching, scholarship, and service mission.

Formative Review Process

- 1. During the spring semester of the first two years of a Chair's appointment, the Dean distributes an anonymous on-line survey of the Chair's performance to the faculty and staff in the department. Survey data are automatically compiled and sent to the Dean.
- 2. The Dean meets with the Chair to discuss the survey results and other performance indicators relevant to the Chair's responsibilities. The purpose of these meetings is to offer formative feedback and recommendations for continued development in the role of Chair; this process shall not be the basis for a re-appointment or non-reappointment decision.
- 3. The Chair discusses performance and findings with the department, as appropriate for departmental advancement. The Dean may also be invited to discuss the outcome of the review with the department, at the request of the Chair.

Summative Review Process

- 4. In the fall semester every three years, beginning in the third year of the Chair's appointment, the Dean requests that the Chair submit a self-evaluation of his/her performance in the role of Chair. Materials may include a personal narrative as well as representative samples of effectiveness.
- 5. In the spring semester of the same year, the Dean distributes an anonymous on-line survey of the Chair's performance to the faculty and staff in the department. Survey data are automatically compiled and sent to the Dean.
- 6. The Chair's self-evaluation, as well as summary quantitative data and all qualitative comments from the survey, are shared with the departmental personnel committee.
- 7. The departmental personnel committee reviews and discusses the materials and crafts a narrative summary that will ultimately be shared with the Chair through the Dean. The narrative should include a summary of strengths, recommendations for improvement, and areas of significant concern (if appropriate), as demonstrated in the presented materials.
- 8. The Dean conducts an independent review of the materials and the departmental narrative and crafts a narrative summary that will be shared with the Chair.
- 9. The Dean meets with the chairperson of the departmental personnel committee to discuss the review, including any points of disagreement or areas requiring clarification.
- 10. The Dean meets with the Chair to discuss the review.

- a. The Dean's determination as a result of the review may be reappointment, conditional reappointment for a period of one year, or non-reappointment.
- b. If the review results in a conditional reappointment, (a) the conditions must be specified, and (b) the Chair review process will be repeated the following year, with both the self-evaluation materials and survey data collected at the beginning of the Spring semester.
- 11. The Chair discusses performance and findings with the department, as appropriate for departmental advancement. The Dean may also be invited to discuss the outcome of the review with the department, at the request of either the Chair or the chairperson of the departmental personnel committee.

Directions

The Department Chair Performance Review form that follows is a 25-question, Likert-scale type instrument organized into four thematic areas, with space at the end for qualitative comments and recommendations for improvement in each area. In order to maximize the benefit of this review for your Chair, please give each response your careful and thoughtful consideration. Comments and ratings are anonymous unless you choose to share identifying information. Individual responses will be available to the Dean and the departmental personnel committee. Only narrative summaries provided by the Dean and the departmental personnel committee will be made available to the Chairperson.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	No Basis to Judge
Encourages faculty and staff professional development						C
Serves as a faculty and staff role model and/or mentor						
Expresses appreciation for faculty and staff accomplishments						
Supports faculty in achieving high standards of teaching, research, and service						
Listens effectively Communicates clearly and effectively						
Is professional and collected when dealing with stressful situations						

Relations with Faculty and Staff

Equity

	Strongly	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly	No
	Disagree		Agree nor		Agree	Basis to
			Disagree			Judge
Treats individuals with						
respect						
Applies university, college,						
and departmental policy						
consistently and fairly						
Encourages and embraces						
an environment that values						
diverse perspectives						
Promotes and advocates						
for inclusive excellence for						
faculty, staff, and students						
in the department.						

Organization and Management

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	No Basis to Judge
Communicates and						
provides relevant written						
materials in a timely						
manner						
Handles administrative						
tasks in a timely manner						
Engages in timely						
decision-making processes						
Provides leadership for the						
development of the						
department teaching						
schedule						
Supports curricular review						
and development						
Supports faculty to provide						
high quality student						
advisement						
Facilitates the						
development/refinement of						
department policies and						
procedures						
Facilitates the						
development/refinement of						
plans, statements, and						
reports for extra-						
departmental units						

	Strongly	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly	No
	Agree		Agree		Agree	Basis to
			nor			Judge
			Disagree			
Maintains a "vision"						
consistent with department,						
college, and university						
goals						
Solicits and considers input						
from relevant stakeholders						
before making important						
departmental decisions						
Owns decisions and						
accepts responsibility for						
the outcomes						
Effectively prioritizes the						
needs and strategic efforts						
of the department						
Effectively advocates for						
department needs/issues.						
Acts as an effective liaison						
between the department						
and College/University						
administration						

Effectiveness in Leadership and Advocacy

Summary Comments:

Please provide any comments about particular areas of strength in these or other areas of the chairperson's responsibility.

Please provide recommendations for improvement in these or other areas of the chairperson's responsibility.

Please provide any additional comments you wish to have included in the review.