

Attending: Nicole Blair, Rob Crawford (chair), Brianna Jaiteh, Jill Purdy

1. Structure and Membership of the Committee

New appointments to the committee are needed for the 2012-2013 year.

- Rob agreed to contact Zoe Barsness so that Faculty Assembly can solicit a new faculty representative to replace Rob.
- Rob will recommend to the Executive Committee of Faculty Assembly that Jill be appointed as chair of the committee in 2012-2013. Jill agreed.

Remaining Tasks

- A community member will need to be appointed by the Chancellor to serve on the committee.
- A family member will need to be identified to serve on the committee.
- A student representative will need to be recruited via ASUWT President Elizabeth Pierini

2. Funding

The committee discussed the available funds to support a prominent lecturer in Public Affairs. Currently funds are insufficient on an annual basis to provide the caliber of speaker that Art Paulsen hoped to support. Approximately \$20,000 is the minimum amount that should be available for the speaker's fee, with at least an additional \$5,000 to fund event costs and speaker expenses.

3. Timing

The committee discussed the relative benefits of seeking a speaker for Spring of 2013 versus Autumn of 2013. Spring 2013 would enable a speaker during the 2012-2013 academic year, thereby fulfilling the annual intent of the donor, however less than \$25,000 would be available for the lecture. Fall 2013 would allow additional funds to accumulate and could serve as a campus-wide intellectual kickoff for the academic year that could resonate through a common book, linked course readings and themes, and related events. Given the funding available and the possible academic benefits, the committee recommends that the next speaker should be invited for Autumn 2013, preferably in October following convocation on September 28. The committee agreed to begin generating ideas for speakers.

Until sufficient funds become available to sponsor a high caliber speaker annually, the committee recommends that the Paulsen Endowed Visiting Chair is filled every other year, specifically in Autumn of odd numbered years. This provides clarity and continuity while upholding the wishes of the donors regarding the quality and impact of the Visiting Chair. If the funding situation change favorably, the Visiting Chair should be filled annually.

4. Alternate Event for Even Years

The committee agreed that having an annual, high-impact academic event supports a favorable culture for the campus, and that Autumn quarter is a particularly appropriate time for such an event. In lieu of the Paulsen lecture, the committee recommends that an alternate event be identified in even numbered years through existing means such as the Office of Advancement and/or the Arts and Lectures committee. In Autumn of 2012, for example, the campus may serve as the forum for a gubernatorial debate, providing a campus-wide event that can serve as a touchstone for learning in accordance with our academic mission.