UWT Faculty Affairs Committee January 15, 2002 Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Bob Howard, Katie Amundson, and Jim Gawel

- (1) The committee discussed proposed language for UWT's Handbook related to Chapter 24 in the University Handbook (see attached document).
- (2) With the exception of changes to section 24-34, subheadings A-3 and A-4, the proposed changes were accepted by the committee.
- (3) It was the opinion of the committee that the UWT Handbook should not attempt to alter or contradict the University Handbook's current language, especially owing to the fact that we do not have that authority to do so at this time. [This is an issue that the Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy should address in the near future.] The committee agrees that the UWT Handbook should serve to clarify the University Handbook by means of addenda to the existing Code only. Therefore, Bob Howard will compose changes to section 24-34 consistent with this idea and present at the next committee meeting.
- (4) The committee discussed the current tenure procedure at UWT and the personnel involved. It was suggested that although Vicky Carwein has the title of Dean and Chancellor, she does not seem to act in the role of academic Dean that exists at UW, Seattle. Several questions were raised related to this point:
 - a. Should the Program Directors at UWT fill the role of Deans at UWT when it comes to tenure, promotion, and merit decisions?
 - b. How would the personnel involved change if UWT alters its structure (i.e. changing to schools and colleges)?

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