UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TACOMA Minutes Faculty Affairs (FA) 10:00 -11:00 a.m. GWP 215 Thursday, November 5, 2009

Attendance: Annette Henry, Chair; Linda Ishem, Sam Chung, and Sergio Davalos

- 1) Approve the minutes from October 15, 2009.
- 2) Discussed FA priorities:
 - a. Family balance, workload, and access for students must be addressed together.
 - b. Henry noted that Bonnie Becker offered to draft a daycare plan.
 - c. UW Tacoma (UWT) is a teaching institution but support for research must be strengthened.
 - d. Henry referred to Education in Bothell, which has 6 courses. Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences have 5 courses.
 - e. Chancellor Spakes' review is this year; faculty concerns should be addressed.
 - f. Sam Chung expressed concern about the current processes, regarding Sponsored Research at UWT. This is a workload issue. Sergio Davalos noted that this relates to access and FA can develop a way to track delays. Ishem noted that the Principal Investigator should access information regarding any delay. Ishem noted that this relates to strengthening faculty-administration communication. Davalos added that this is an issue relating to campus services. Henry suggested an anonymous survey to assess the research process at UW Tacoma.
- 3) Reviewed the bylaws in accordance with this committee and the charge: http://www.tacoma.washington.edu/faculty assembly/faculty bylaws.pdf
- 4) Faculty Workload Policy: Sergio Davalos (Internal working draft)
 - a. This draft discusses local control, equity within the program, and at the UWT campus. The principles include collective roles and students.
 - b. Mechanisms to initiate change: This will address for example, implementing a 5 course-load policy. Ishem suggested that FA look into course hours. Henry advised she will talk with Thomas Bellamy in Education at Bothell.
 - c. Another section might describe infrastructure and the impact on faculty research or other faculty issues, such as the Elise Ralph's former position.
- 5) Meeting Schedule: The Doodle Calendar will show availability for Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday.
- 6) Goals and objectives for this committee: Henry draft up a Goals and Objectives document and the FA will respond with additions and revisions.
- 7) Adjournment 11:13 a.m.