UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TACOMA Faculty Assembly Faculty Affairs (FA) Minutes

Monday, April 2, 2012 12:30-1:30pm GWP 303

Attendance: Donald Chinn (Chair), Sergio Davalos, Denise Drevdahl

Excused Absences; Erin Casey, Matthew Weinstein

Unexcused absence: Johann Reusch

1. The minutes from March 7, 2012 were discussed and modifications suggested.

2. Continued discussion of the interviews regarding external funding

Those who attended updated the rest of the committee as to where they are in the interview process. Our goal is to have all interviews done, compiled, and redistributed back to the committee before the next meeting.

3. Discussion of faculty issues concerning Lecturers

Chinn updated the committee on the work that Linda Dawson (Lecturer, IAS) and Katie Baird (Vice Chair of Faculty Assembly, IAS) have done to identify issues related to Lecturers. There is legislation in UW Seattle that addresses issues regarding offering lecturers multi-year contracts. UW Bothell also has an arrangement where faculty can be rehired without going through the reappointment process, which reduces the overall workload needed to process the rehires.

4. Evaluating teaching effectiveness

Sergio provided a monograph from Ehsan Feroz (Business) that provides a number of articles on teaching evaluations and alternatives to them for evaluation of teaching effectiveness. Chinn will browse the book to look for specific recommendations or alternatives to replace or complement existing teaching evaluation practices.

5. The meeting adjourned at 1:20pm.