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

Monday, April 16, 2012 12:30-1:30pm GWP 303

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

Kucher (guest)

Excused absences: Matthew Weinstein, Johann Reusch

1. The minutes from March 7 and April 2, 2012 were approved.

2. Interviews regarding external funding – discussion of analysis approaches

Those who attended updated the rest of the committee as to where they are in the interview process. There was agreement that the analysis of the interviews would be assigned to individual committee members, based on the following themes: interview methodology, what is working well, barriers to success in pursuing and obtaining external funding, and career trajectory and mentoring.

3. Discussion of faculty issues concerning Lecturers

The committee discussed the document that was distributed to the Executive Council earlier this quarter. There was general agreement that a survey to supplement the issues identified in the document would be helpful. Chinn will work with Katie Baird and Linda Dawson to develop such a survey.

4. Continued discussion of evaluating teaching effectiveness

Chinn provided a brief summary of some of the chapters in the book Ehsan Feroz provided. He will provide some readings in that book that provide suggestions, for the committee to consider.

There was a brief discussion about obtaining (and programs potentially using) adjusted median information from end-of-quarter student evaluations. Michael Kucher participated in the discussion. It appears that in order to get such information, we need only ask for it from the Office of Educational Assessment on the Seattle campus.

5. The meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.