**Faculty Assembly Executive Council Meeting Minutes**

Friday, 04/08/2022, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Open Public Zoom Meeting

***Present:*** *Chancellor Sheila Edwards-Lange,Chair Turan Kayaoglu, APCC Chair Julie Masura, APT Chair Christine Stevens, Kathy Beaudoin, Monika Sobolewska, Jim West, Barb Toews ,Katie Haerling, Rupinder Jindal, Anne Taufen (Filling in for Anaid Yerena 2021-22), Sushil Oswal, Julie Eaton, Jacob Martens, Amanda Sesko, Randy Nichols, Mary Hanneman, Arindam Tripathy, Andrea Hill, Ellen Moore, Zhiquan (Andy) Shu, .* ***Excused****:Vice Chair Menaka Abraham, FAC Chair Sharon Laing, Erika Bailey* ***Absent:******Guests:*** *Chris Marriott (Representing Non-Tenure Track Faculty Forum), Vann Smiley (Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration),*

***Program Coordinator:*** *Andrew Seibert*

1. **Approval of Agenda, Meeting Minutes, Permission to Record**
   * Agenda request was made to add more discussion on the Flexible Modalities document that was passed. Chair of Faculty Assembly removed the Agenda Item “Faculty Assembly Ground Rules” and put this item in its place
     + Motion to change the Agenda was made. Moved by Julie Eaton and seconded by Randy Nichols
       - Vote was unanimous on the approval of the change
   * Agenda was approved after the addition and recording permission was granted by the Council. Recording the meeting is for minutes purposes only and gets automatically discarded through the Zoom cloud server.
     + Approval of 03/28/2022 Meeting Minutes
       - No edits requested by Executive Council
       - Minutes stand approved as written
         * One abstention.
2. **Discussions/Reports**
   * **Further discussion on Flexible Modalities**
     + One member asked the Chair to ensure the Chancellor’s website desciptioin aligns with the Resolution on Flexible Modalities.
     + Some mebers raised concerns of this resolution passed too soon and asked to debate the issue again. The Chair of Faculty Assembly will look into Robert’s Rules to follow suit on further action on an adopted resolution.
   * **Report of Chair/Vice Chair**
     + Report of Chair and Vice Chair has been moved to an email item
   * **Report of Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Vann Smiley**
     + Key points of report
       - Enrollment declined. Due to this, a projection of $5 million dollar shortfall could occur. Projection continues into next Academic Year of a 5% decrease in revenue, however tuition increases at a 2% rate.
         * Tacoma Campus received $1 million in relief funding. Seattle Campus received $112 million dollars.
       - Budget requests for Academic Units are in review under the Interim EVCAA
       - Classified Staff will receive a 3% increase, a requirement that is honored per Labor & Industries.
       - Tacoma Campus no longer models incremental budget models, as it does not work with a catastrophic event, such as the COVID-19 pandemic.
     + Questions from Executive Council:
       - Many representatives showed concern with the recent news passed on from the Faculty Assembly Chair in the removal of the Copy center and the transition to Mailing and Receiving only.
         * Vice Chancellor for Finance & Administration said he can understand any concerns and will listen to any concerns before this is finalized.
         * Historically, there was a decline pre-pandemic, during the pandemic, and post-pandemic of the revenue in the Copy Center.

Recommended to use departmental Ricoh printers or local contractors within the vicinity of the UW Tacoma Campus.

* + - * + Many Faculty feel that they have not been a part of this discussion and that Facilities has made this decision without checking with Faculty, Staff, and Students.

Faculty Feedback from some Academic units were passed on to the Vice Chancellor for Finance & Administration

* + - * A representative asked about whether the $5 million includes capital expenses
        + Capital expenses were not included in this. Milgard Hall was funded through reserves
  + **Report from Chancellor Sheila Edwards-Lange**
    - Key points of report
      * Legislative Agenda is underway for next biennium
      * There is a scheduled annual budget review with President Cauce, Provost Richards, and the Chancellor due to the enrollment shortfall.
      * UW Tacoma is signing agreements with Community Colleges to recruit International students
      * Rollout of new Diversity blueprint
      * Chancellor will meet with Faculty and Staff in groups to get their perspective on the campus and get to know colleagues on campus

1. **Action**
   * **Resolution on March 11 Faculty Assembly Leadership Memo on Resignation of Past Chair**
     + The Executive Council had further discussion on the resolution on the resignation of the Past Chair. Many shared the loss it has been to the Academic unit. It was mentioned that the Past Chair was promoted with Tenure to Associate Professor and to have the posting as an Associate.
   * A motion was made to approve the Resolution as it was written. Moved by Ellen Moore, seconded by Sushil Oswal.
     + ***Votes:*** *20 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions*
2. **Discussions**
   * **Faculty Assembly & Staff Association Combined COVID-19 Funds**
     + The Executive Council went into discussion on the COVID-19 funds. This document was reviewed, and will be sent out through the Faculty listservs soon.
   * **Amendments to Bylaws on APT**
     + Executive Council went into discussion on the Proposed Amendment bylaws into the Appointment, Promotion & Tenure Committee.
       - A Representative from the Non-Tenure Track Faculty Forum showed support including Non-Tenure track Faculty in APT.
     + There were discussions of some items that would need to be revised. Therefore, the Executive Council will review this again in the next meeting.
3. **Adjournment**
   * Meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.
     + Next meeting: Monday, April 25, 2022, Zoom