

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, TACOMA  
FACULTY ASSEMBLY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2007  
CP 331

In Attendance: Greg Benner, Donald Chinn, Bill Kunz, George Mobus, Julie Nicoletta, Ruth Rea, Pat Spakes, Marcy Stein, Cathy Tashiro, Alan Wood

Faculty Assembly Assistant: Jamie Kelley

Absent: Yonn Dierwechter, Charlie Emlet, Diane Kinder, Stern Neill

The meeting was called to order at 12:55 p.m.

**Meeting Synopsis:**

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes
3. Report from the Chair of Faculty Assembly
4. Cathy Tashiro with a report about Faculty Workload Guidelines
5. George Mobus with a report from the Strategic Planning Committee
6. Discussion of Schools & Colleges with Ad-hoc Committee members
7. Replacements for EC, Standing Committees, and Faculty Senate for 2007/08
8. New Business:
  - a. General Education requirements
9. Adjournment

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**1. Approval of the Agenda:**

The agenda was approved.

**2. Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes were approved.

**3. Report from the Chair of Faculty Assembly:**

The LCV survey will be up until May 11<sup>th</sup>. Please remind faculty in your programs to fill it out. Faculty can choose to leave the demographic information blank, if they are concerned about anonymity.

UWT still needs Faculty Senate members from the Ed/Nurs/SW unit.

Greg has volunteered to serve on the Scheduling Matrix Committee. Julie has volunteered to serve on the Sloane Committee. Marcy has agreed to serve on the Tri-Campus Council again next Year. Stern will be taking Zoe's place. Janet will Chair the committee. We are having difficulty finding replacements from some departments. A Campus Safety group is being formed in Seattle in light of recent events on campuses.

The code changes went through the Faculty Senate with no problems. UW faculty will receive a ballot to vote on the code changes.

The new charts showing the money allotted to UW and the amount of money allotted to faculty salaries show a huge unbalance. This will need to be discussed in more detail at a later time.

The final EC meeting on May 21<sup>st</sup> will focus on goals for the school year, and work for next year. EC reps may want to invite their replacements to this meeting.

The final FA meeting on May 29<sup>th</sup> will focus on reports from Chairs of Standing Committee

The May 21<sup>st</sup> EC meeting is the same day as the Strategic Planning Committee's Town Meeting. The EC will have a supplementary meeting about Schools & Colleges on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **4. Cathy Tashiro with a report about Faculty Workload Guidelines:**

The workload guidelines are a proposed issue for the Faculty Assembly Retreat in September.

These guidelines are broad considerations for workload, and are based on feedback the Faculty Affairs Committee received. They are less specific than the last draft, but intentionally non-specific. These guidelines do not quantify things, and could be used many different ways.

What is the current standard for equity?

Alan mentioned the many variables in decision-making for program Directors, and suggested moving this to the program level. Workload also becomes a budgetary issue. Marcy recommended that the EC make a movement to endorse the document. The Faculty Affairs Committee should come up with 3 ways in which the document could be utilized by a program Greg is in favor of giving scholarship values, and in favor of quantifying time, because it is good protection against audit. Pat suggested that we call them "guidelines" rather than a "policy." A policy is enforceable, whereas guidelines are not. It was

suggested that Promotion and Tenure criteria figure in to this as well.

A motion was made to endorse the document with editing about equity, and changes to the language from “policy” to “guidelines.” The document will also need to be more program-specific. Ruth made a motion to endorse the document with changes. Julie seconded the motion. The entire EC approved.

**5. George Mobus with a report from the Strategic Planning Committee:**

The Strategic Planning Committee now has documents available to view on the Chancellor’s Office homepage on the UWT website. One such document compiles the results of the Values questionnaire.

There will be “town meetings” on May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup> in the Tacoma Room to discuss the results of the questionnaire. George stressed the importance of attending one of these meetings.

The results of the survey went back to the Values Subcommittee. Ysobel is rearranging the budget according to our values, to coincide with our goals as a campus. Interdisciplinarity is not seen as a value.

The Vision Subcommittee is drafting a document that focuses on the nature of education with processes to help us move toward distinction in our five year vision.

The Goals Subcommittee is working on a statement which outlines strategies and objectives in achieving our goals, with a focus on integration between committees and goals so that everything is brought together.

**6. Discussion of Schools & Colleges with Ad-hoc Committee members:**

The Ad-hoc Committee will be hosting a special meeting, with lunch provided, on May 22<sup>nd</sup> to discuss Schools and Colleges with the faculty.

**7. Replacements for EC, Standing Committees, and Faculty Senate for 07/08:**

Business will have a slate after their May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. The slate will be posted on Catalyst at the end of the month.

**8. New Business:**

**a. General Education requirements:**

The UWT is currently operating under UW General Education requirements for accreditation. Beth is concerned that this is not in a catalogue, and therefore not code-compliant.

**9. Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.