

FACULTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

December 12, 2006

PART I – submitted by Johann Reusch

In attendance: Bob Howard, Marinilka Kimbro, Cathy Tashiro (Chair), Marian Harris, Johann Reusch

Review of October 31, 2006 Minutes:

Corrections: Harris and Reusch erroneously listed as absent

Faculty Lounge Space:

M. Kimbro reports on meeting with Milton Tremblay to discuss details and specifications for proposed faculty lounge project.

Discussion ensued about a lounge budget and allocation of needed financial resources.

Faculty Club membership fee of \$139 per annum proposed, based on Seattle campus model. Proposal to support lounge with funds (sugg. \$60 per month) from Chancellor's office, to fulfill administration's objective to "anchor" faculty on campus, and create sense of community.

Locations for lounge were narrowed to Assembly Hall Mezzanine as current first choice, and consideration of artists' loft upon availability.

Of the custodial options suggested by M. Tremblay, "periodic" was deemed to be efficient.

Amenities and interior furnishing/design for lounge expected to meet Tully's/Starbucks at a minimum.

Emphasis was placed on social and relaxing environment, not professional meetings or work. Wi-Fi and phone jacks but no white boards, computer stations

PART II – submitted by Marian Harris

This part of the meeting focused on 'Faculty Workload.' There was a discussion regarding those things that should encompass faculty workload. The following factors were delineated for consideration when one thinks about teaching; 1) classroom time; 2) independent study; 3) advising; 4) serving on graduate thesis/project committees; 5) supervising clinical practicum; 6) new course development; 7) graduate vs. undergraduate; 8) team/co-teaching; 9) class size; 10) number of preps Ta's or not.

Several questions were posed and need to be considered when drafting a policy regarding faculty workload. For example, does the pedagogical aspect drive courses and credits? How can we organize the relative weight of those items delineated under teaching? What should determine the maximum number of courses taught? What determines the number of credits for courses? Should faculty in IAS and Business teach fewer classes since those programs have the most courses? Several things need to be defined prior to drafting a policy regarding faculty workload since a voice for faculty is just starting to be created.

All committee members should read the policies sent via e-mail attachment by Marinilka Kimbro and the UW School of Social Work policies received at this meeting from Marian Harris prior to the next meeting. Committee members should also bring selling points for the proposed "Faculty Club" to the next meeting. Cathy Tashiro, Chair, will discuss these points when she meets with Chancellor Spakes.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2007 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Cherry Parks Building, Room 304A.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marian S. Harris, Ph.D.