

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TACOMA
Faculty Assembly Faculty Affairs (FA)
Minutes
Monday, May 9, 2011
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
CP 103

Attendance: Donald Chinn, Chair; Bonnie Becker, Erin Casey, Sergio Davalos, Denise Drevdahl, Matthew Weinstein

1. The minutes from April 25, 2011 were approved.

2. Discussion/analysis of the faculty research survey and committee report

Faculty Affairs reviewed, discussed, and revised the committee report. Some suggestions include, prioritize or highlight post grant administration, for each major recommendation provide some specific examples for action e.g. “engage graduate students in research; possibly merge section one and two and provide an example; de-emphasize workload; and highlight differences in course frequency and credits hours across programs

Action: Erin Casey will revise the top level recommendations on barriers. The final draft will be discussed at the last Faculty Affairs meeting on May 25, 2011.

3. Update on Daycare Taskforce (DT), Bonnie Becker

- ❖ On May 24, 2011 the DT will meet with Beth Rushing, VCAA
- ❖ Students on the Student Union Committee will include examples of daycare facilities at similar higher ed. institutions
- ❖ Students will continue to get student support at UWT

4. Elections

- ❖ Erin Casey (Social Work) will serve another year.
- ❖ FA will need replacements in IAS, IT, and Urban Studies
- ❖ They will need to elect members before the end of spring quarter but will work on getting the replacements in by May 25, 2011

5. Goals for 2011-2012

- ❖ FA discussed that at the last meeting they should talk about anticipated issues for next year to gain a jumpstart on their work. They will strategize, prioritize, and consider critical issues for faculty in light of the budget constraints. This will be communicated to the incoming chancellor.

6. News article on Faculty Workload

- ❖ Sergio Davalos forwarded an article to Chinn. The article discusses faculty workload and themes of accountability and efficiency. Chinn will forward the email to the Faculty Affairs list serve.

7. Faculty Workload and Programs

- ❖ Program Directors are expected to follow up on their programs specific guidelines for faculty workload. The directors agreed to take up the issues on workload and bring this back to the Faculty Assembly.

8. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.