



FACULTY ASSEMBLY

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON | TACOMA

Faculty Affairs Committee Minutes

May 28, 2015 3-4 PM SCI 104

Present: Tyler Budge, Katie Haerling (via phone), Gim Seow, Matthew Weinstein, and Anne Wessells

Absent: David Schuessler

1. Housekeeping

a. Review and Approval of Minutes

To be completed via catalyst

b. Update: EC

- This month, chairs of standing committees met with Faculty Assembly Vice Chair-Elect Mark Pendras and Vice Chair/Chair-Elect Marcie Lazzari; Marcie will bring institutional memory into the upcoming academic year having served as Faculty Assembly Chair before
- The VCAA Search is closed. In Town Hall, on June 1st, Chancellor Mark Pagano will update campus
- Strategic Planning will start over the summer; three names from each unit were submitted to Chancellor for him to select campus membership

2. Childcare Report: *DRAFT*

a. Review of Completed Sections

b. Remaining Content

- Outreach work will include as appendices, such as the statements from Harlan Patterson, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, and Cedric Howard, Vice Chancellor for Student and Enrollment Services, to reinforce that the committee is onboard with their work
- Text will include why childcare is so important on campus; Seattle has 3 centers; this must be important to the university
- Lauren Montgomery, Lecturer in SIAS, shared a memorandum with the committee regarding a service-learning function for students at UW Tacoma. Committee members foresaw possibilities for an early childhood education program

c. FAC recommendations

Campus needs more flexible enrollment options, not only full-time.

3. Growth Report: *DRAFT*

a. Review of Completed Sections

- This contextualizes the need for growth
- A member has requested data from Institutional Research on the rapid growth of student enrollment
- For more information on the role and work satisfaction, the committee will draw on past reports

b. Remaining Content

This will be circulated among the committee May 29-31.

c. FAC recommendations

- Faculty do not have enough time; new programs and staff/administration do not resolve this problem
- The most challenging areas are: teaching load and research commitment
- If research continues to be a priority, campus will need to utilize graduate students
- Reconvene lecturer's affairs with Libi Sundermann, Lecturer in SIAS, and Linda Dawson, Senior Lecturer in SIAS in leadership
- Create enhanced structures and processes to forge campus's first doctoral programs
- Improve interdisciplinary efforts; with the CORE demolition, amongst other items, we have lost collaboration on campus
- Faculty feel participation fatigue to get new administrators up to speed; the number of tenure-track faculty has not increased as quickly as committee expansion has increased; this is connected to the balance of teaching and service and the tenure/non-tenure track ratio dilemma

4. Tasks/ Next Steps

- Anne Wessells to finalize and circulate draft
- Other committee members to review and return their ideas