

Faculty Affairs Committee Meeting  
October 9, 2014  
11AM-12PM, CP 331

*Minutes*

Attendees: Anne Wessells, Gim Seow, Tyler Budge, Matthew Weinstein, Katie Haerling (by phone)  
Absent: David Schuessler (newly appointed, Institute of Technology)

1. Introductions and Committee 2014-2015 Charge

Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) members introduced themselves and the charge from the EC was presented. This year our charge is to 1) Rethink Growth and 2) Pursue childcare. The first is broad, and we will need to delimit and prioritize what to focus on.

2. Housekeeping: Logistics

FAC will meet every other Thursday 11-12 in CP 331. There is a committee Common View site on Catalyst. Materials can be shared and reviewed here. All members are designated as 'administrators' and can update/share content. All members should have routines in place for communicating with their constituents, whether through faculty meetings, email, web survey, and/or informal conversations.

3. Discussion of Charge:

*Childcare and Eldercare*

11:15

This is the more straightforward part of our charge. A task force subcommittee of FAC developed documentation and recommendations on campus childcare in 2010-2011. There is a partnership program that has been created with the Children's Museum, in response to this work. This year the committee will: understand the capacity of that program, and its relative availability to UWT campus; re-document and analyze existing campus need; examine and report on possible delivery models.

*Impacts of Growth*

11:25

This is a harder area to define and delimit. FAC needs to be careful to choose aspects of this issue that are important to various units and their faculty, and suitable for the production of a substantive report and findings to the EC, for approval and possible adoption by the Faculty Assembly. A draft list of defining issues was presented and discussed. Some were dropped, consolidated, added. FAC members will reach out to their faculties via web survey and other means to assess relative prioritization.

4. Tasks/ Next Steps

11:50

Members volunteered on childcare and growth-related tasks. The main shared work before the next meeting will be soliciting feedback from units on how to approach and report on the issue of growth.

Action Items:

- Gim to reach out to Harlan (UWT) and Tanya (Children's Museum) for information about existing childcare partnership(s)
- Tyler to look into the TCC childcare facility and its funding/operations model
- Matthew to look into faculty unionization through AAUP contacts
- Anne to follow up with Bonnie Becker on 2010-2011 task force outcomes
- Anne to draft web survey on growth concerns discussed today, for circulation/outreach to program faculty
- All members to solicit feedback from constituents on identified growth issues, with objective of refining, committing to one or two areas for 2014-2015

Next Meeting:

Thursday, October 23, 2014  
CP 331, 11AM-12PM