UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TACOMA
Faculty Assembly Faculty Affairs (FA)
Minutes
Monday, October 17, 2011
9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
WCG 322

Attendance: Donald Chinn, Chair; Erin Casey, and Matthew Weinstein

1. The minutes from May 22, 2011 were approved.

2. Summary of items discussed:

   • Child care for the campus community. The current plan for child care has changed with the new campus leadership. Faculty Affairs should keep in contact with the Day Care Task Force on developments.

   • Items for discussion for the academic year:
     o Invite Chancellor Debra Friedman or VCAA JW Harrington to a Faculty Affairs meeting (preferably soon) to talk about their vision about how faculty and administration should work together.
     o Follow up on the research survey report.
     o Investigate the possibility of “stationary” T&P criteria (i.e. the criteria used at T&P time is the criteria when the candidate was hired).
     o As a complement to the research survey, investigate the barriers to excellence in teaching. In particular, perhaps the committee can build on previous work from others concerning methods of evaluating teaching effectiveness using sources other than (or in addition to) student course evaluations.

   • Action items:
     o Donald: send an email to Chancellor Friedman or VCAA Harrington to invite them to the next Faculty Affairs meeting.
     o Matthew: ask Kelly Fitzgerald who the top 10 (or so) externally funded faculty are and ask them what are their institutional stumbling blocks. (For example, grant support, hiring personnel, grant administration.)

3. The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.