Meeting Synopsis:
1) A discussion of issues related to the Faculty Appeal Board:
   Professor Linda S. Hume

2) Approval of minutes from the December meeting

3) ASUW report

4) Report from the chair

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM.

1) A discussion of issues related to the Faculty Appeal Board
Fabien presented a sheet of types of criminal and misconduct incidents seen on campus over the last few years. He noted that only more serious incidents resulting in suspensions, etc. go to the Faculty Appeal Board.

Professor Linda Hume gave an overview of the Faculty Appeal Board, explaining that they deal with cases resulting in suspension, expulsion, or an order to pay money, and try to make sure there is uniformity across the university with discipline. They get a file with the history of informal proceedings, and students can ask for a formal hearing or an administrative review. If a formal hearing is selected, the case is reviewed as if it is being made for the first time. Within 90 days, a location must be set up for the hearing. Then findings of fact and conclusions of law take place. After a formal hearing, a student can appeal to the president. If an administrative review is selected, the Appeal Board writes a letter with its ruling, which becomes final but can be reviewed in superior court.

Fabien said that since FCSA has a role in making appointments to the Faculty Appeal Board, it will be looking at creating a process for appointments.

Council members then held a discussion of issues related to the Faculty Appeal Board. Points clarified included that most of the incidents involved were plagiarism cases; that disciplinary records are not reflected on an academic transcript; and that there are two new members on the Board, one from each branch campus. Discussion also focused on changes to the student conduct code that allows it to selectively apply to off-campus behavior if something is perpetrated on a member of the UW community. Interaction between the UW Police Department, Seattle Police Department, and Faculty Appeals Board was also discussed.

The relevant section of the Washington Administrative Code can be found at http://www.washington.edu/admin/rules/policies/WAC/478-120-100.html.
2) Approval of minutes from the December 7, 2010 meeting

The minutes of the December 7, 2010 meeting were approved as written.

In reference to one of the agenda items from that meeting, Fabien noted a heightened interest in student counseling issues in media nationwide. Godfrey added that the takeaway was that mental health services needed to be ramped up before tragedies occur, rather than strictly as a response. He said that the national professional association for college psychologists recommends one psychologist for every 1,000-1,500 students, but that UW is closer to one for every 2,500 students. He added that student care generally and mental health in particular will be first and foremost in his budget conversations.

3) ASUW report

Bradley brought up a number of topics:

- Humans vs Zombies Tag: There has been a response to the game, but it has died down. A number of faculty on the AAUP listserve expressed discontent with the game. Game organizers have been in touch with the administration and ASUW, and the collective action was to tell game organizers to be stricter on rule enforcement. Any complaints about students breaking the rules of the game, or discomfort with the game, should be directed to the student game administrators.

  In response to a question from the council about having a designated area or timeframe for the game, Bradley said that a rule has been added to stop the game at dark, and the number of students charged with enforcing rules will be tripled. Other council members expressed their support of the game for the social opportunities it provides.

- Husky Stadium Renovation: The Dawg Pack will be moved away from midfield in the new stadium design, and students are now focused on working to gain the best deal possible.

- Student Lobby Day will take place at the state capitol in Olympia on February 11, and an email has been sent out to all faculty about the event.

- Course fees: A small group of faculty and administration are looking into differential tuition, but in the meantime course fees are still going to be used as a way to charge a different amount for courses. The practice seems to have moved from purchasing extra course materials to budget supplementation. Bradley is trying to come up with a solution by creating a course fee review committee in ASUW that would look at all proposed course fees.

4) Report from the chair

Fabien said that at the next council meeting, Kim Durand and Pat Dobel would be present to talk about academic progress from student-athletes. He noted that the 5-year graduation rate is around 30% for special admits, but in general graduation rates are pretty much in line with the rest of the university.

Adjournment

The meeting ended at 2:38 p.m.

Minutes by Craig Bosman, Faculty Council Support Analyst. cbosman@uw.edu

Present: Faculty: Fabien (Chair), LeVeque, Burke, Schwartz

President’s Designee: Godfrey

Ex-Officio Reps: Bradley, Perrin, McKinstry

Guests: Linda Hume

Absent: Faculty: Berninger, Poovendran, Bailkin