University of Washington
Faculty Council on Student Affairs
May 30th, 2017
1:30pm – 3:00pm
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Meeting Synopsis:

1. Call to order
2. Review of the minutes from May 2nd, 2017
3. Chair’s Report
4. Student Reports
5. Affordable Student Housing
6. Good of the order
7. Adjourn

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“Have your students in off-campus housing been affected by any recent zoning or land use policy changes by your local government?
Have there been cases of students being priced out of traditionally student off-campus housing by professionals who can afford to pay higher rent?
What steps has your school taken to ensure that the college experience is still fulfilled for your commuter students” (Exhibit 1).

Trilles asked members for feedback and any additional questions they would find useful. A member recommended she ask the NYU contact if his responsibility is for graduate or undergraduate housing. A member noted another question might center on if there is a problem at NYU (related to housing) and how is the institution working to address it. Another member noted it would be useful to have some fundamental data to compare statistics between the UW and other institutions. Querna pointed out NYU often leases private property to students outside of the NYU campus, which might skew data. It was noted the questions are diverse from each other and the council might choose a single question to focus on. Querna asked if there are other institutional groups outside of Greek Life that provide housing for students. It was clarified there are some separate apartment agreements between private owners and the university. Members questioned if the UW owns any off-campus housing which is used as student housing. One member noted student profiles should also be taken into account while drawing comparisons to the UW, such as number of international students, out-of-state versus in-state students, etc.

Overall, members felt the questions provide useful information and thanked Trilles for her efforts to get in touch with other institutions.

6)  **Good of the order**

Laws noted he would like the FCSA to address UW Greek Life and affordable student housing during 2017-2018, and encouraged members to consider other topics.

Laws thanked members of the FCSA for their thoughtful participation on the council during 2016-2017, especially given the tedious task of reviewing all changes to the Student Conduct Code.

7)  **Adjourn**

Laws adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

_Minutes by Joey Burgess, jmbg@uw.edu, council support analyst_

**Present:**  
**Faculty:** Ann Culligan, Chris Laws (chair), Jasmine Bryant, Doug Brock  
**Ex-officio reps:** Aileen Trilles, Katherine Querna  
**President’s designee:** Lincoln Johnson

**Absent:**  
**Faculty:** Mabel Ezeonwu, Bruce Hevly, Holly Barker, Christopher Campbell  
**Ex-officio reps:** Carolyn Martin, Kaitlyn Zhou, Tanya Kumar

**Exhibits**
Exhibit 1 – Affordable Housing_2017_05_30.ppt
Affordable Housing

FACULTY COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS
1. HAVE YOUR STUDENTS IN OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING BEEN AFFECTED BY ANY RECENT ZONING OR LAND USE POLICY CHANGES BY YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT?

2. HAVE THERE BEEN CASES OF STUDENTS BEING PRICED OUT OF TRADITIONALLY STUDENT OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING BY PROFESSIONALS WHO CAN AFFORD TO PAY HIGHER RENT?

3. WHAT STEPS HAS YOUR SCHOOL TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE IS STILL FULFILLED FOR YOUR COMMUTER STUDENTS?
HERE IS JOSH GANA'S RESPONSE TO YOUR QUESTIONS. FYI HE’S ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR FACILITIES FOR HOUSING AND FOOD SERVICES.

HI JOHN,

WHILE WE DON’T HAVE DIRECT DATA THAT ARE RESPONSIVE TO THESE QUESTIONS, I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE DEMAND FOR ON-CAMPUS HOUSING REMAINS VERY HIGH. THERE ARE LIKELY A NUMBER OF FACTORS THAT PLAY INTO THAT DEMAND; ANECDOTALLY WE DO HEAR THAT THE COST OF OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING PROMPTS STUDENTS TO SEEK ON-CAMPUS HOUSING. WE STRIVE TO ACCOMMODATE AS MANY STUDENTS ON CAMPUS AS POSSIBLE AND HAVE CONTINUED TO ADD CAPACITY THROUGH THE EXECUTION OF THE HOUSING MASTER PLAN.

JOSH