University of Washington
Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy
May 26th, 2016
9am – 10:30am
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Meeting Synopsis:

1. Call to Order & Introductions
2. Approval of the minutes from April 21, 2016
3. Report from the Chair
4. Tri-campus Discussion – Planning and Legislative Communication (Invited: JoAnn Taricani, UW Faculty Legislative Representative & Kate O’Neill, Chair SCPB)
5. UW Educational Outreach – Tri-campus Discussion
6. Good of the order
7. Adjourn

1) Call to Order & Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

2) Approval of the minutes from April 21, 2016

The minutes from April 21, 2016 were approved as amended.

3) Report from the Chair

Council business

Erdly noted that a new chair for the council is being identified to serve during 2016-2017. There was some discussion of the incoming faculty senate leadership. It was noted Thaisa Way (Associate Professor, Landscape Architecture) will be joining FCTCP meetings in the next year as part of her role as Vice Chair of the Faculty Senate.

Erdly noted the meeting would be his last FCTCP meeting as chair, as he has termed out. The council congratulated him on his service.

Faculty Salary Policy update

Proposed Class A legislation altering the faculty salary policy (within the Faculty Code) has been sent widely to all UW voting faculty for approval; Erdly noted that a collaborative joint response was written by stakeholders at UW Tacoma, UW Bothell, and other units. He urged members to read the response, which was sent over broadly over email, and to generally become informed on the legislation. Barsness agreed and noted members should urge all of their faculty colleagues to participate in the vote. It was noted if 51 percent of the total UW voting faculty vote (and vote in favor of the policy), the legislation will be approved (pending a Presidential signature).
There was some discussion of changing votes once cast. It was noted a vote cannot be changed once cast by a faculty member.

Erdly commented on ongoing fiscal modeling related to implementing and monetarily sustaining the proposed faculty salary policy in various units. It was noted the proposed policy was modeled at UW Tacoma, which provided useful information to voting faculty at that campus. It was noted repercussions must be considered if fiscal modeling shows that the policy is not sustainable, such as reorganization of funding priorities at various levels. Additional discussion ensued on potential hiring freezes or staffing cuts that may potentially follow implementation of the salary policy.

**FCTCP Goals/Recommendations for 2016-2017**

Erdly explained it is his hope the council will continue to take up analysis of UW graduate programs in the next academic year, including inviting administrative guests for regular reports. He added that the council has several items related to tri-campus review that must be reviewed in the fall of 2016.

There some discussion of UW Educational Outreach and where its operations are reviewed and discussed within the faculty senate. The council support analyst (CSA) explained former council FCEO (Faculty Council on Educational Outreach) was terminated years prior, and currently a subcommittee of the Faculty Council on Teaching and Learning (FCTL) regularly consults with the Director of UW Educational Outreach on various topics.

**4) Tri-campus Discussion – Planning and Legislative Communication**

Barsness explained that a “faculty legislative agenda” is being prepared for the coming fall. JoAnn Taricani (Faculty Legislative Representative, Faculty Senate) has met with some members of the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) to discuss the matter. A survey was also generated and broadcasted to faculty senators asking for prioritization of legislative interests, and is currently still open. In addition, faculty legislative meetings have been scheduled between the UW, Washington State University (WSU), and other institutions to gain a greater knowledge of legislative goals which might be aligned.

Moy mentioned that the Washington State Council of Presidents (COP) is currently considering initiatives to bring to Olympia. She explained if there are one or more initiatives that several institutions support, the result is likely to be better than a single institution pushing an isolated initiative.

Barsness encouraged the FCTCP to consider adding its voice to the discussion of university legislative interests. There was some discussion of the intersection between a lull in the state economy and tuition increases that affect students. Additionally, Barsness mentioned that faculty/staff compensation is a high legislative priority for many faculty members.

There was some discussion of alternatives for making changes to the UW’s salary policy structure if the current proposed faculty salary policy legislation fails. Barsness explained that in this case, efforts would begin in the summer, and there is a framework in place to consider other options. It was noted the College of Arts & Sciences is often seen as the academic proponent of the proposed salary policy legislation.

**5) UW Educational Outreach – Tri-campus Discussion**
Rovy Branon (Vice Provost, Educational Outreach) joined the meeting and was introduced to council members. He explained he is present to give some information on UW Educational Outreach.

Branon explained that many people at the university know UW-EO through a few of its activities, but many activities and areas of responsibility remain largely unknown. He noted the organization runs UW in the high schools, UW summer youth, OSHER Lifelong Learning Institute, international English language programs, as well as Professional and Continuing Education (PCE). He noted UW-EO serves students of many different ages, and stages of life.

Branon noted UW-EO is planned to change its name to UW Continuum College (UW-C) as part of a change in branding.

He noted there are four strategic objectives of UW-EO:

I. Main objective is to grow programs, including the number of programs, and to provide access to them to a large and diverse array of people.
II. Demonstrating the quality of UW-EOs non-credit offerings, and keeping that quality intact.
III. Improving internal and external communications. An example was given of an English language resource that a faculty member had no knowledge of, but was very useful to one of his students.
IV. Innovation in improving access and quality of UW-EO programs.

Branon explained he would like to come back and join the council again. He explained at his former position at the University of Wisconsin, his role was to manage cross-campus academic programs, which might make him of use regarding the FCTCP’s latest initiatives.

Council members thanked Branon for attending and presenting.

6) Good of the order

There was some discussion of ZOOM video-conferencing. The CSA noted the technology has been made available to the FCTCP and will be piloted in the next academic year.

7) Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Minutes by Joey Burgess, jmbg@uw.edu, council support analyst

Present: Faculty: Bill Erdly (chair), Margo Bergman
Ex-officio reps: Casey Mann, Zoe Barsness, Sarah Leadley
President’s designees: Bill Kunz, Patricia Moy
Guests: Rovy Branon

Absent: Faculty: Kyle Crowder, Joseph Tennis, Ann Frost
Ex-officio reps: Mark Pendras, Freddy Mora