Meeting Synopsis:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of the Minutes from May 19, 2016
4. Chair’s remarks
5. Tri-Campus FCUFS
6. Good of the Order
7. Adjourn

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Christie at 10:00 a.m.

2) Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved unanimously as written.

3) Approval of the Minutes from May 19, 2016

The minutes from May 19th, 2016 were approved as written.

4) Chair’s remarks

Christie discussed issues relating to campus developments that had taken place over the summer. While the Nuclear Reactor Building (More Hall Annex) was taken down almost immediately, construction at the site of the Computer Science & Engineering building (CSE II) has not yet begun due to funding limitations. A $10 million gift from Seattle-based company Amazon was announced today. Christie reported other building projects that are currently underway at UW-Seattle, including the Burke Museum, Life Sciences Building, Molecular Engineering Phase II, and the West Campus Utilities Building.

The Architectural Commission met recently with the architect for the North Campus Housing project. There continue to be some issues concerning student public space, landscaping, and the new sports field - which has some gradient issues. The decision has been made to continue to use McMahon Hall for UW student housing.

Christie met recently with Mike McCormick (Associate Vice President, Capital Planning & Development) and Steve Tatge (Executive Director, Major Projects, Capital Planning and Development) concerning the UW seismic upgrade program. “Quick fixes” may be implemented for some buildings (e.g. parts of the UW Seattle Quad) where there are insufficient funds for complete upgrades.
Site selection is continuing for a new School of Public Health building project. Three sites are being considered: part of the South Campus parking lot, an area on West Campus occupied by low-value structures, and the Guthrie Hall Annex. Several members commented that the proposed building is too large for the Guthrie Hall Annex site, which should be reserved for classroom use in any case.

It was noted the new UW Campus Master Plan is currently accessible on the UW website for a 45-day comment period.

In the near future, construction utilizing UW bonds for funding will drop 80 percent, and the university is currently seeking donors for new construction.

The UW has $1 billion in repairs needed to renovate older buildings; the issue is not to be confused with concerns over building janitorial services. Concerns exist over budget shortfalls for maintenance, janitorial services, and landscaping. The UW is evaluating older buildings such as Civil Engineering (More Hall).

Balick asked whether the Smart Grid remains an active concern. He explained that he continues to work on the Learning Spaces Governance Committee to address classroom scheduling issues. He and Phil Reid (Deputy CIO and Assoc. Vice Provost, Academic Services, UW IT) are trying to implement recommendations for better room utilization (made in an earlier report to the Provost).

5) Tri-Campus FCUFS

Christie proposed that FCUFS designate council subcommittees for each smaller campus (UW Bothell, UW Tacoma) to meet and discuss university facility and services developments pertinent to those campuses, but also to meet (potentially once per quarter via video-conferencing) as a full tri-campus body to discuss matters of universal interest. He noted materials had been circulated and voted on via email ballot to adopt the plan.

6) Good of the Order

There was some brief discussion of flip-up toilet lids for unisex toilets in Sweden.

7) Adjourn

Christie adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

Minutes by Bill Rorabaugh, council member, modified by Joey Burgess, council support analyst, jmbg@uw.edu

Present: Faculty: Bruce Balick, Rich Christie (chair), Laura Little, Bill Rorabaugh
Ex-Officio representatives: Chris Byrne, John Carroll

Absent: Faculty: Murray Maitland, Ann Mescher, Giovanni Migliaccio, AnnMarie Borys, Ashley Emery
President’s designee: Charles Kennedy
Ex-officio representatives: Steve Goldblatt, JoAnn Taricani