Call to Order and Attendance

Committee Vice Chair Regent Rice called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Committee Chair Regent Jaech joined the meeting in progress.

Committee members present: Jaech (Chair), Kritzer, Rice (Vice Chair), Riojas, and Simon
Other Regents present: Ayer, Blake, Harrell, Shanahan, and Smith
Others present at the table: President Cauce, Provost Baldasty, Faculty Senate Chair Kate O’Neill, GPSS President Alex Bolton, and ASUW President Tyler Wu

Approval of Minutes

Regent Rice announced that, hearing no objections, the minutes from the Committee meeting on June 11, 2015, were approved, as distributed.

Academic and Administrative Appointments (Action) (Item no. A–1)

Provost Baldasty highlighted the award of the William P. and Ruth Gerberding Endowed Professorship to Asian Languages and Literature Professor Richard Salomon.

Regent Simon moved, Regent Riojas seconded, and the Committee voted to approve the academic and administrative appointments as presented. Regent Kritzer abstained.

Adoption of Proposed Amendments to Chapter 478-168 WAC Regulations for the University of Washington Libraries (Action) (Item no. A–2)

Thomas Deardorff, Coordinator of Access Services and University Libraries Copyright Officer and Jonathan Franklin, Associate Law Librarian, briefly described the proposed amendments.

Regent Simon moved, Regent Riojas seconded, and the Committee voted to approve the WAC amendments as presented.

Vision for UW Tacoma (Information only) (Item no. A–3)

Provost Baldasty introduced UW Tacoma Chancellor Mark Pagano, who presented his vision for the UW Tacoma campus. Chancellor Pagano showed a video commemorating 25 years of UW Tacoma. The video is available for viewing on the UW Tacoma website:

http://www.tacoma.uw.edu/news/article/25-years-boundless-passion

UW Tacoma expects to enroll over 5,000 students by fall quarter.
As the campus celebrates its 25th year, Chancellor Pagano reported he is beginning the process to generate a five-year strategic plan, as the campus “dreams” where it will be in the next 25 years.

UW Tacoma is in the early stages of its search for a Vice President of Academic Affairs and four Dean or Director positions.

Regent Jaech asked what attracted Chancellor Pagano, who began his tenure on March 16, 2015, to UW Tacoma. The Chancellor replied that the campus, community engagement, the region’s outdoor activities, and Provost Baldasty and President Cauce were all important factors he considered when he sought and accepted the position.

Regent Ayer inquired about limits to growth of the campus. Chancellor Pagano replied there is physical space for needed facilities, but student enrollment will be limited by the funding for additional faculty and enhanced student services. Fully developed, the campus could accommodate 20,000 students.

Regent Riojas asked if UW Tacoma recruits from Eastern Washington. The campus mostly recruits from the South Sound but could increase recruiting efforts in the rest of the state.

Regent Kritzer asked about engaging students during the strategic planning process. Jocelyn Patterson, last year’s ASUW Tacoma President, serves on the committee and she will engage with other students, including those not involved in student government.

Regent Rice asked about the relationship between campus and Joint Base Lewis-McChord. UW Tacoma has a faculty member who serves as liaison to the base.

Chancellor Pagano mentioned the strategic planning group was given summer reading assignments. Regent Blake asked about specifics of those materials. The Committee is reviewing Washington Achievement Council materials, UW’s Blueprint for Diversity, the current UWT strategic plan, and reviewing strategic plans from various universities and the City of Tacoma.

Other inquiries concerned a diversity resource center and the academic areas of open faculty positions (technology, biology, education).

Admission Summary for Autumn 2015 New Undergraduate Students (Information only) (Item no. A–4)

Philip Ballinger, Associate Vice Provost for Enrollment, provided an overview of undergraduate admissions for Autumn Quarter 2015 on all three campuses. Seattle has experienced accelerated growth in applications as have Bothell and Tacoma. As UW determines capacity, there is concern about availability and access for gateway courses, and space and capacity constraints.

Regent Riojas requested geographic data, by county, including Washington state students who were not admitted, and Mr. Ballinger said this is pending.

Regent Harrell encouraged telling the story of Washington residents who were admitted based on more than their GPAs and test scores, referring to the holistic admission process.
Adjourn

Hearing no other business, Regent Jaech adjourned the Academic and Student Affairs Committee at 9:30 a.m.

Approved at the meeting of the Committee on September 10, 2015.