Meeting Synopsis:

1. Call to order
2. Review of the minutes from May 7, 2020
3. Teaching evaluation task force update: Andrea Otanez
4. Chair’s Report
5. Planning for 2020-21, Gautham Reddy
6. Good of the order
7. Adjourn

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 p.m.

2. Review of the minutes from May 7, 2020

The minutes from May 7, 2020 were approved.

3. Teaching evaluation task force update: Andrea Otanez

Andrea Otanez noted there was no update due to COVID-19.

4. Chair’s Report

Chair Williams provided an update on the council chair’s meeting, and the google document, which described plans for next year and how COVID-19 has impacted FCMA.

Chadwick Allen (President’s Designee) gave an update on the climate survey- current availability is not as helpful as a campus-wide viewpoint, expect to see an aggregate update after the summer. Executive summaries and PowerPoints are accessible to view for each campus. The Diversity Council (DC) will ask DC members to look at their own department data. Qualitative data was summarized and will not be made available to the campus due to anonymity issues.

A member asked about the intersection between current social climates and how FCMA can amplify voices of Black students/staff/faculty. Another member brought up the topic of working thru the summer to continue the momentum of FCMA work. The council analyst will reach out to the faculty senate and determine what is allowed during the summer and COVID-19.

As FCMA plans their future work, they will attempt to capture documents from minority student unions and faculty.

Members discussed the petitions moving around UW regarding global police activity, particularly the Seattle Police Department and UW Police Department.
A member emphasized the need to highlight FCMA to faculty and make the council more public. Possible ideas for communication included developing a statement on the AAUP to show that FCMA is listening or reach out to student groups to encourage support/partnership.

Another member noted the lack of diversity on FCMA and suggested asking the faculty senate for additional members. It was suggested to have a representative from FCMA on the faculty senate chair’s council. They would like to have focused recruitment and networking to include more Black/AA faculty.

5. Planning for 2020-21, Gautham Reddy

Gautham Reddy, incoming Chair of FCMA, asked the council for topics of interest for future work.

UW Medicine has plans for two events this week to highlight police accountability as a public health crisis. This information was circulated.

Members discussed ways to push immediate news out to highlight FCMA as a resource. A member offered to draft a letter for distribution.

Another member asked for clarification on a precedence for FCMA to work with other groups, either sponsoring events or gatherings for faculty of color. FCMA will consider applying for a DC seed grant to assist in putting a campus-wide event together discussing police brutality and black/brown lives.

6. Good of the order

Surveys will be sent to the council to determine availability for possible summer work. Council members are encouraged to send additional questions or topics to work on in the future.

7. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Minutes by Alexandra Portillo, xanport@uw.edu, council analyst

Present: Faculty Governance Section 42-32 A: Yoriko Kozuki, Andrea Otanez, Pietro Paparella, Gautham Reddy, Michael Spencer, Brenda Williams (chair), Xuegang Jeff Ban
Faculty Code Section 21-61 B: Leyla Salmassi
Faculty Code Section 21-61 C: Chad Allen

Absent: Faculty Governance Section 42-32 A: Branden Born,
Faculty Code Section 21-61 B: Meshell Sturgis, Jessica Jerrit