

University of Washington
Faculty Council on University Relations
Friday, 1 June 2007
36 Gerberding Hall

Chair Kathy Gill called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Synopsis:

1. Announcements, Agenda, Minutes
2. Finalize plans for soliciting honorary degree nominees

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The minutes of May 4, 2007 were approved as presented. Gill announced that Odegaard has agreed to serve as Chair of the FCUR Committee. Gill will continue as a member of the Committee.

2. Finalize plans for soliciting honorary degree nominations

Committee members reviewed, discussed and revised the draft Honorary Degree solicitation letter. It was suggested and agreed upon that; 1) the letter from the President should go out as soon as possible and that Development Officers should be copied on the letter; 2) the deadline for nominations should be moved from December to November; 3) Gill will rewrite the draft Honorary Degree solicitation letter with the revisions agreed upon by the Committee.

Ideas suggested to promote soliciting honorary degree nominations were: 1) Create an Honorary Degree Website to include a video montage of Honorary Degree hooding ceremonies. This site should be linked to the UW Commencement web page. 2) FCUR Committee members should attend other council meetings to promote Honorary Degree nominations 3) FCUR Chair and Commencement Speaker Committee Chair should meet to review Commencement Speaker list to bring possible candidates for the Honorary Degree to the Committee.

3. Old Business: SR 520 and Sound Transit

Arkans gave a brief update the on the status of SR520 and Sound Transit. He said that the Department of Transportation was starting with a clean slate with no preferred alternatives. The State has put out a RFP to hire a mediator to bring together all the groups involved. The University and Sound Transit are close to taking the Memorandum of Implementation Agreement (MIA) to their respective boards

4. New Business

Possible agenda topics for upcoming meetings:

- What role can Faculty play in working with the Legislature?
 Invite J. Harrington to speak to the Committee regarding communication with the Legislature.
- Tri-Campus Council- Issues related to a 3 campus University
- New campus - Snohomish, Island or Skagit County

6. Next Meeting

Susan Folk will be contacting Committee members regarding their availability to schedule meetings for the fall quarter.

Committee members thanked Gill for serving as chair of the Committee and for agreeing to continue on the Committee. Twight was also thanked for her service.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

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Present: Faculty Members: Bramhill, Gill (Chair), Hevly, Jackson,
President's Designee: Arkans
Other ex Officio members: Macklin, Twight

Absent: Faculty Members: Odegaard
Other ex officio members: Bolcer, Bankson