

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
FACULTY COUNCIL ON UNIVERSITY RELATIONS
THURSDAY, March 5, 2009, 1:00-2:30 p.m.
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Chair Mary Ann Odegaard called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Meeting Synopsis:

1. Approval of minutes from February
 2. Honorary Degrees
 - a. Review submission from Tacoma campus
 - b. Review new submission
 - c. Strategies for increasing number of submissions
 3. UW update from Norm Arkans
 4. New Business
 5. Adjourn
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1. Approval of minutes from February

Chair Odegaard called for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made, and seconded. Bruce Hevly noted that he was not present at the February meeting. The minutes were approved as amended.

2. Honorary Degrees

a. Review submission from Tacoma campus

Council members discussed the issues concerning the Tacoma candidate raised at the last meeting. Some additional materials on the nominee were contributed to the council's deliberations by Stuart Sutton and Kathy Gill. After much discussion the Chair called for a vote, by secret ballot. Odegaard announced that the candidate's nomination for a doctorate in Laws was approved.

b. Review new submission

Odegaard asked to postpone the discussion on the new honorary degree nominee. She noted that she will get the packet of materials on the candidate to the council's staff member so that council members can review it at their convenience in the Faculty Senate Office. Odegaard discussed a candidate for honorary degree she would like to nominate through the School of Business. She will be meeting with the Dean of the Business School in spring to discuss the nominee, and asked Norm Arkans to attend.

c. Strategies for increasing number of submissions

There was no discussion on strategies for increasing the number of honorary doctorate submissions.

3. UW update from Norm Arkans

Arkans updated council members on the ongoing discussions about the current budget situation the university is facing. He noted that the next state revenue forecast is due in March.

4. New Business

Gill announced the Association for Women in Communications' upcoming Centennial Celebration, October 15-17, in Seattle. She was asked to send information about the event to Odegaard and Arkans. Gill noted that she will send information out to the council.

Gill also announced an upcoming all-day camp on how to give good presentations, Saturday, April 4th. She is the event organizer and described the self-organizing event as one where people talk about how to avoid death by power point.

5. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Minutes by Melissa Kane, Faculty Senate, mmkane@u.washington.edu

Present: Faculty: Conroy, Gill, Hevly, Mayer, Odegaard (Chair)

President's Designee: Arkans

Ex Officio Reps: Bolcer

Absent: Faculty: Sutton

Ex Officio Reps: Snyder, Speser, Guss