

**The University of Washington
Faculty Council on Instructional Quality**

The Faculty Council on Instructional Quality met **Monday, June 4, 2001** at 11:00 a.m. in 142 Gerberding. Chair Linda Chalker-Scott presided.

PRESENT: Professors Carline, Chalker-Scott, Coutu, Webster, Wells. *Ex officio* Conquest, Cook, Gilmore, Kyes (with vote), McCracken (with vote), Stromberg. **Guests:** Wayne Jacobson, Center for Instructional Development (CIDR); Mark Farrelly, Educational Technology Development Group.

ABSENT: Professors Bierne, Hoffer, Mulligan *Ex officio* Bridges, Chong, Evans, Pitre.

Presentation of Teaching@UW

Mark Farrelly of the Education Technology Development Group and Wayne Jacobson of the Center for Instructional Development and Research (CIDR) demonstrated the new teaching webpage, [Teaching@UW](http://depts.washington.edu/edtecdev/teaching/) (<http://depts.washington.edu/edtecdev/teaching/>). The site utilizes pull-down menus to take the viewer to links entirely within UW. This site design was chosen for uniformity, to highlight what the UW offers on its website, and to make the site easy to maintain.

Some Council members suggested a few wording and minor design changes. Farrelly explained that the site is still being tweaked to meet "blue bar" specifications of UW computing and communications. Meanwhile, Jacobson asked that when Council members have a teaching-related need for information, that they try to use the site to find that information. He would appreciate knowing how well the site meets real needs.

Gilmore asked if there would be a mechanism on the site to provide feedback. Chalker-Scott said that it would depend on who ultimately takes responsibility for the site, because someone must respond to the feedback. The Council noted their desire to have the site maintained by the Office of Undergraduate Education.

The Council thanked Jacobson and Farrelly for their work and for coming to demonstrate the site. Chalker-Scott also asked that the Council members be acknowledged on the website for their two years of work this project.

Farrelly announced the upcoming availability of new tools developed by his office. They have been working on a Student Portfolio Tool with easy ways for students to publish their work on the Internet, a virtual, problem-based learning tool, and an interactive grade book.

Faculty Course-Load Measurements

As Chalker-Scott brought up at the last FCIQ meeting, reports on the faculty course-loads, used by the Office for Institutional Studies to determine budget allocations for academic units, do not include interdisciplinary courses. When she raised the issue at the last Senate Executive Committee (SEC) meeting, many SEC members expressed the same concern. A motion was made for Chalker-Scott to take the issue up with the Senate leadership. The members voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Announcements

Cook was recognized for receiving the UW Excellence in Teaching Award for 2001, with acclamation by applause.

Future Items

For next year, Carline suggested that FCIQ follow-up with the development office and the Vice Provost for University Relations in implementing the Distinguished Teaching Award (DTA) Class-C legislation recently approved by the Faculty Senate. He noted that FCIQ's work is not complete on this issue, as Class-A legislation to permanently increase DTA recipients' salaries would need to be written in by FCIQ in 2001-02.

Gilmore suggested that next year FCIQ might wish to review the upcoming College of Arts and Sciences task force report on Enhancing Student Learning. The report will make specific recommendations with a focus on learning.

The Council thanked and applauded Chalker-Scott for her work serving the Council as Chair and offered sympathies for the loss of her office at the Center for Urban Horticulture in the recent fire bombing eco-terrorist attack.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m. Minutes by Katherine Wimble, Recorder.