

**UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
FACULTY COUNCIL ON TRI-CAMPUS POLICY**

The Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy met at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, **November 3, 2003**, in 36 Gerberding Hall. Chair Marcia Killien presided.

PRESENT: **Professors** Killien (chair), Leppa, Primomo and Stein;
 Ex officio members Cameron, D’Costa, Decker, Fugate, James and Olswang;
 Guests Doug Wadden, Chair, Faculty Senate; and Lea Vaughn, Secretary of the Faculty;
 Sharon Fought, Associate Dean of Assessment and Planning and Associate Professor,
 Chancellor’s Office, UW, Tacoma (for Jack Nelson).

ABSENT: **Professor** Anderson;
 Ex officio members Campbell, Heath, Nelson, Stygall and Watts.

Welcome and Introduction of Council members – Chair Marcia Killien

As the council has a new ex officio member in Professional Staff Representative Christene James, council members introduced themselves, identified their departments and units, and briefly described their academic or administrative focus.

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the October 13, 2003 meeting were approved as amended.

THE EXECUTIVE ORDER TRI-CAMPUS LEGISLATION, AS REVISED BOTH PRIOR TO AND AT TODAY’S COUNCIL MEETING (NOVEMBER 3, 2003), WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED “IN PRINCIPLE” BY THE FACULTY COUNCIL ON TRI-CAMPUS POLICY.

Discussion of the revised draft of the Executive Order Tri-Campus Legislation (revised by Steven Olswang, with additional revisions by FCTCP members in today’s discussion of the revised draft)

Changes in the revised FCTCP Executive Order Tri-Campus Legislation, as agreed upon in today’s council discussion, include:

Section 13-22. Organization of the Faculty

In the first paragraph, the addition of the words “or her” after the phrase: “By virtue of the authority granted him”.

Section 13-23. Legislative Authority of the Faculty

In 13-23. C., the addition of the word “the” after the words “and, when taken by”, and before the words “faculty at the Bothell or Tacoma campus”.

In 13-23. E., the addition of the words “that are campus-specific to UW, Seattle, and to the University as a whole,” after the words “which affect matters listed in paragraph A of this Section”, and before the words “will not be made by the President with consultation”.

In 13-23. F., the addition of the words “of this section” after the words “matters listed in paragraph A”, and before the words “that are campus-specific”. [A hyphen was added between the words “campus” and “specific”.]

Section 13-24. Faculty Authority Concerning Appointment, Promotion, and Tenure

In 13-24., in the first paragraph, the replacement of “Section 12-11”, halfway through the paragraph, with “Section 23-11”.

In 13-24. 2., the replacement of “similar” by “similarly”, after the words “designed and operated”, and before the words “to a departmentalized collegiate unit”.

Council discussion leading to the vote on the Tri-Campus Executive Order Legislation

Vice Provost Steven Olswang, ex officio member of FCTCP, who, along with Associate Vice Provost Cheryl Cameron, had prepared the revision of the draft, described the “context” for the revisions in the Executive Order Legislation.

Olswang said there are four tracks that speak to “why we’re where we are in the tri-campus conversation.”

“The first,” said Olswang, “is the legislative track, which has been adjusted [by the tri-campus legislation that created this council and called for a reassessment of the definition of ‘campus’]. The second track is that the Vice Chancellors, the Provost, and the Executive Vice President have designed an Operations Agreement for the three campuses of the University: a ‘hands-on document’. The third track is that the two chancellors [of UW, Tacoma and UW, Bothell] have been asked to work together to create a vision statement on the relationship of their campuses, and the relationship of their campuses to UW, Seattle. The fourth track is the Faculty Senate conversation.”

“We’re here with the Executive Order version [of this Tri-Campus Legislation] because the Faculty Senate needs to engage in ground level discussion: not this discussion that we’re having in FCTCP, which is a more specific discussion.” Olswang said Faculty Senate Chair Doug Wadden and Faculty Senate Vice Chair Ross Heath have asked: Can some immediate fixes be made in the Faculty Code that could go through the Faculty Senate? We want to keep this out of the Faculty Senate conversation as Class “A” Legislation, and move it to Executive Order Legislation.”

Olswang said, “Doug Wadden and Ross Heath are accepting of the new draft of the Executive Order [that the council is looking at today]. If we agree, and approve the Executive Order in principle, the President will send a letter to the Faculty Senate (to Doug Wadden as Chair of the Faculty Senate), who will send the Executive Order Legislation to the faculty councils he considers most appropriate for final review (among which FCTCP would be expected to be the chief council), and to the vice chancellors at UW, Bothell and UW, Tacoma.” Olswang said separate copies would be sent to the General Faculty Organization at the Bothell campus and the Faculty Assembly at the Tacoma campus. When the President sends the Executive Order Legislation to the Faculty Senate chair, that will start the 45-consecutive-calendar-day response process. The Executive Order would also be discussed in the Senate Executive Committee (SEC). When that process has been completed, and if the Executive Order Legislation has been approved by the responding parties, the President will sign the Executive Order into effect.

Olswang said the entire process would hopefully be completed by early 2004.

Olswang said important changes occurred at the UW, Tacoma campus during the summer of 2003 when the Milgard family donated \$15 million to the establishment of a Business School. The Regents, he said, have approved the designation. The Milgard School wants to be headed by a dean. Olswang noted that “a collegiate level unit is equivalent to the level of a dean. The current chancellor would be chancellor and dean.” He said it could be that the dean title will be dropped; then the vice chancellor – instead of the dean – would be responsible to the Board of Regents. Olswang added, “The Code legislation is geared to those changes.”

Olswang said that Section 13-23 states that chancellors “have a role that includes local and campus consultation.” Killien said, “As we look at the changes, should we see these as changes for a document that pertains to a current situation, or one that also takes into account the future.” Olswang said, “There can be no organizational changes at UW, Seattle without a new President. This is a fix for now, but one that opens the door for a parallel structure at UW, Bothell [and UW, Tacoma] and UW, Seattle in the future.”

Addressing the question as to why the Faculty Senate plays both a Seattle campus role and a University-wide role, Olswang said, “That is because, at present, there is no separate Faculty Senate for UW, Seattle only.”

Primomo asked, with respect to Section 13-23: “Are there ambiguities in saying: ‘chancellors *and* academic deans’? Does that compel an academic dean to consult with his or her faculty?” Olswang replied: “This just *adds* the chancellor at the campus level.”

Regarding Section 13-24, Olswang said, “This is legislation that is consistent with where we’re trying to get to. There is a new section because it needs to be clear that UW, Bothell and UW, Tacoma faculty vote in a parallel way to UW, Seattle faculty; but this is not stated in the Faculty Code. I pulled out Section 13-24 and added relevant paragraphs on the evolving campuses. The first part [of 13-24] is virtually the same as what is already in the Faculty Code, except that “campus” is added to “college” and “school”. This is authority for campuses to sequentially provide recommendations on new appointments to their faculty, on promotions and merit increases to faculty, and to grant tenure to faculty. 13-24.3 has been added because the Regents can always create colleges or schools at any of the University’s campuses; and that would change the structure at UW, Bothell and UW, Tacoma. But the pattern will not change: *If* you have a three-tiered structure, then you have to rethink this eventually. This document that we’re putting together speaks to a parallel structure only, and *not* to a three-tiered structure.”

Fought asked, “Where *are* we in this process? *If* UW, Tacoma had a dean of the School of Business, for instance, what would that mean [in this process]? Olswang said, “The dean would be advised by the faculty of his or her college or school. Deans make recommendations to the President. This proposed change brings in the chancellor. A recommendation does not just go from the dean to the President. The dean must first go to the chancellor. And this also brings in the campus council.” Olswang said, “This may change [this structure], but we’re not there yet. The faculty organization is parallel to the faculty of those campuses.” He added: “This is legislative history.”

As to Section 23-23, Olswang said, “This is critical regarding program reorganization, consolidation, or elimination: all aspects of the RCEP process. We could have many programs within one department. For instance, the Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences program has many programs – or degrees – within its one overall program.”

Wadden said, “It would be best to do this process as an Executive Order; it would be less messy by far.”

Olswang said, “Interim President Huntsman has said that he needs a greater role in the process that involves anything coming forward from *any* of the three campuses. There were programs approved at UW, Tacoma that he knew nothing about until the process was completed. Not that anything was done wrong; it’s just that President Huntsman would like to be included earlier, and have a greater role in the process.”

Olswang said Section 23-48 “makes faculty more equal at all three campuses. Campuses and colleges are equal in authority.” He said, “This is the first shot at changes for the Executive Order,” and stressed that the proposed changes “have come out of extensive consultations with all three campuses.”

Killien said it is important that the Executive Order Legislation be sent for response to the Faculty Assembly at UW, Tacoma, and the General Faculty Organization at UW, Bothell. “We value what other campus groups would have to say,” she emphasized.

Next meeting

The next FCTCP meeting is set for either Monday, December 8, 2003, or Monday, December 15, 2003, at 10:30 a.m., in 36 Gerberding Hall. (The council will be notified once the date has been set.)

Brian Taylor
Recorder