

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
FACULTY COUNCIL ON TRI-CAMPUS POLICY
Wednesday, October 28, 2009, 8:30-10:00 a.m.
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Chair Collins called the meeting to order at 8:37 am.

Meeting Synopsis:

1. Introductions
2. Procedures: Review our charge, role in tri-campus curriculum review, voting membership, roster, meeting frequency and budget issues, use of task groups/point persons to maintain continuity of work between meetings on priority items.
3. Review last year's annual report
4. Update on priorities of UW Senate for the coming year
5. Update from administration on issues and priorities pertaining to tri-campus governance
6. Update from FCTCP working group on tri-campus relations
7. Discuss next steps. What are potential implications for structure/role of FCTCP?
8. Determine FCTCP priorities for the coming year.

1. Introductions

Chair Collins welcomed everyone and asked for a round of introductions. He noted that the previous FCTCP meeting minutes from May were approved over the summer.

2. Procedures

Chair Collins reviewed the Council's procedures, including the Council's charge and use of small groups.

3. Review last year's annual report

Primomo reviewed the Council's 2008-2009 Annual Report. Referring to the handout "Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy Annual Report 2008-2009," she discussed the FCTCP Work Group on Tri-Campus Relations, UWB/UWT representation on the Faculty Councils, the UWB representative on the Senate Committee on Planning and Budgeting, coordination with the Faculty Council on Educational Outreach, Phase II reviews of proposed new or revised undergraduate programs, and other issues, such as the University's budget situation and the reorganization of the Faculty Senate.

FCTCP discussed the Phase II review process. Chair Collins suggested that Marcy Stein replace Primomo on this subcommittee. Killien asked about the significance and necessity of the Phase II reviews, as well as whether the process needs to be more formal. Members agreed Phase I is a valuable process. The Council discussed how this subcommittee should respond to requests to review and how formal the documentation should be. Council members agreed that they appreciate acknowledgement from the campuses and recognition of the time they put into Phase II review. FCTCP discussed similarities between their reviews and the work of the Faculty Council on Academic Standards and its Subcommittee on Academic Programs (SCAP).

4. Update on priorities of UW Senate for the coming year

Harrington provided an update on the Senate's priorities for the coming year. These were:

- Adjusting the faculty salary policy to create more consonance among (a) the Faculty Code, (b) the current Executive Order, (c) the end of the statewide ban on salary increases for state employees, and (d) the expectation of further state budget cuts for FY11 and anticipation of further cuts in the 2011-13 biennium;
- Suggesting and encouraging faculty participation in the assessment of proposals for a new budget model (for allocation of instructional funds (state general fund and tuition/fees) to colleges/schools (such a change is not relevant to UWB/UWT, because state funds are already allocated by campus and UWB/UWT receive all their tuition funds);
- Suggesting and encouraging faculty participation in the "Two Years to Two Decades" (2y2d) working groups to re-design some operational aspects of the university (budget allocation, operational flexibility, etc.) in preparation for the university's academic roles in the next 20 years;
- Emphasizing the importance of faculty representatives to university committees being nominated or suggested by official faculty bodies;
- Pursuing proposals for restructuring the Faculty Senate and Senate Executive Committee (currently in the Faculty Council for Faculty Affairs; should come before the SEC in December);
- Increasing the interaction and information flow between the Faculty Senate and School/College/Campus faculty councils.

Chair Collins asked if anyone from FCTCP would like to attend the Faculty Council on Faculty Affairs meeting to comment on the restructuring plan. Killien suggested that Council members refer to Rich Christie's PowerPoint presentation on the Senate restructuring. She stated the Faculty Senate would like to move forward with the restructuring this year, preferably in December or January.

5. Update from administration on issues and priorities pertaining to tri-campus governance

Wadden provided an update on current issues, including independent accreditation for the branch/affiliate campuses, the funding and budget situation, ABB, and 2Y2D.

Rushing noted that she and Susan Jeffords have been meeting regularly to coordinate and discuss issues. She also provided insight into various issues of tri-campus governance.

6. Update from FCTCP working group on tri-campus relations

Chair Collins provided an update from the working group on tri-campus relations. He provided an overview of the draft report and announced that the group will need to meet again to further discuss and finish the report. He proposed that Council members work on finalizing the report and discuss it in December.

Killien asked FCTCP to consider whether this group should be a Faculty Council. She asked whether the group might be a more appropriate fit somewhere else in the greater organization. Primomo commented that this issue connects back to the Senate restructuring proposal.

7. Determine FCTCP priorities for the coming year.

Chair Collins drew attention to 8c. on the Agenda, working with FCAS to evaluate the 2008 Class B change on Undergraduate Cross-Campus Enrollment. He suggested that this project be a priority this year. Primomo agreed and stated this would be a good project for Winter Quarter.

Chair Collins volunteered to focus on 8b. on the Agenda, working with FCSA and ASUW to coordinate student issues. He suggested inviting one of the ASUW representatives to a future FCTCP meeting.

The Council decided to defer consideration of the remaining proposed FCTCP priorities to the next meeting.

FCTCP discussed using videoconferencing at the next meeting or future meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes by Kristy Carter, Faculty Senate, kcarter4@u.washington.edu

Present

Faculty: Collins (Chair), Primomo
President's Designee: Rushing (by phone), Wadden
Ex Officio Reps: Lazzari (by phone), Lord, Deardorff, Harrington

Absent

Faculty: Endicott-Popovsky, Wood, Stein
President's Designee: Jeffords
Ex Officio Reps: Meske, Kochis, Fridley

Guest: Marcia Killien