The Executive Council held an organizational meeting Autumn Quarter 2003, to communicate and strengthen the EC's role and function as the representative organization for the faculty. Linda thanked the membership for their service and dedication and expressed confidence in this council's ability to make great strides toward leading the strategic planning of campus.

Issues discussed for EC and GFO consideration:

1. Faculty governance, setting tangible goals for the year
2. Growth strategy, where are we as an institution?
3. Engagement in the Academic Strategic Action Initiatives
4. Responsibility as faculty to partner in campus planning and address faculty concerns
5. Enrollment management challenges
6. Workload issues impacted from overenrollment
7. The need for faculty voice in setting enrollment targets and strategy
8. Budget—where are we now and long-term growth concerns
9. Topics where full faculty forum might be in order (example: TA strike)
10. Departmental issues, including: concerns over potential loss of faculty/lines; budget formulas in use for programs with field/clinical components; impact of tuition exemption on program and campus health; current ability to attract good hires for UW President and Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs at UWB; noise level in campus buildings

Other announcements:

- The Vice Chancellor search is underway, faculty will likely need to take an active role in the selection.
- The ASAI (5for5) open faculty forums have been scheduled—October 28 and November 3.
- Research and grant writing workshops are being planned.
- Jane Decker formed 2 task forces—Academic Conduct and Human Subjects Review
- Workshop summaries from the Faculty Retreat 2003 have been distributed electronically—Sandeep
- There will be a Regent's Meeting at UWB on October 17, time will be announced.
- The EC will begin publishing an informational newsletter on the GFO website.

ASUWB will hold an ASAI open student forum November 6, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Linda announced the EC schedule for Autumn:
Monday, October 6 11:00 am - 12:00 noon - organizational
Monday, October 20 11:00 am - 12:00 noon - IAS pre-proposal/MA in Cultural Studies*
Friday, November 14 11:00 am - 12:00 noon - how GFO spending occurs; TBD
Monday, November 24 11:00 am - 12:00 noon --TBD
Friday, December 12 11:00 am - 12:00 noon - Discussion with Jane Decker

*[The IAS pre-proposal for the MA in Cultural Studies will be sent to the EC prior to the October 20 meeting. The EC representatives will confer with their programs regarding the pre-proposal and report any input or feedback to the EC. Sandeep announced that the Program Planning policy can be accessed on the GFO webpage. This policy outlines the process of consultation and approval for the pre-proposal of new degrees at UWB.]

Minutes submitted by Barbara Van Sant