

May 16, 2001, 11:30 a.m., Room 260B

Present: Dan Jacoby, Carole Kubota, Ray Lou, Jack Meszaros, Susanne Sikma, Kelvin Sung

Guest: Mary Huneke

Vice Chair for General Faculty Organization

Dan Jacoby announced that Carole Kubota has agreed to run for Vice Chair of the GFO.

Tri Campus Legislation

Jack Meszaros distributed a letter sent to Chancellors Buck and Carwein from President McCormick recommending additional release time for the GFO.

Jack and Dan met last week with Mary Coney, Brad Holt, Richard Stackman and Rob Crawford, chairs and vice chairs from the other campuses to discuss the tri campus legislation. There are many issues to be worked out. One matter discussed at last week's meeting was Faculty Honors, which are intended to be analogous to University Latitude Honors but available to students whose part-time enrollment status makes them ineligible for University Latitude Honors. The UWB has faculty honors, but the Seattle campus does not. The faculty at UW Tacoma would like to offer this also. President McCormick has asked the Tri Campus Council to consider this issue when it convenes.

Faculty Picnic

Mary Huneke gave an update on plans for the faculty picnic. Approximately 37 faculty have agreed to attend.

Program Planning

Susanne Sikman said the Program Planning group hopes to have their recommendations completed by the end of this quarter. She would like to present them at the EC meeting on May 30. Susanne then distributed a draft of the Program Planning Map. The group discussed the pros and cons of a proposal to create a Planning Council.

Elections and Next Year's Agenda

In addition to the Chair and Vice Chair of the GFO, two additional representatives will be needed for the Faculty Senate. Jack will send an e-mail to the faculty requesting nominations.

Faculty Retreat and other Events

Arnie Berger, Bruce Burgett, Dan Jacoby and Linda Westbrook have volunteered to work on the faculty retreat. Some suggested topics include: mentoring, promotion and tenure, visioning, community building.

Carole suggested establishing some traditions for UWB, such as an event for faculty and staff in the fall, something for faculty and staff with Cascadia Community College. Dan suggested an event for students to provide input on their educational experiences at UWB.

Jolynn Edwards has offered to continue working on the Distinguished Lecturer for next year.

Visioning

Ray Lou distributed a preliminary draft of the visioning statement. Several EC members agreed it was a good beginning, especially the core values. Ray asked the group to share this with their colleagues and provide him feedback. One concern addressed the issue of whether traditional disciplinary scholarship would be valued in light of this vision.

Miscellaneous

Carole Kubota reported that she is still working on the Faculty Handbook.

Minutes submitted by Patti Bellecy