

## **Executive Council Meeting**

October 25, 2011, 8:45 am., UW2 327

**Present:** Pamela Joseph, EC Chair, Mary Abrums, JoLynn Edwards, Steve Holland, Charles Jackels, Bruce Kochis, and Clark Olson

**Guests:** Annette Anderson, Hung Dang, Sandeep Krishnamurthy, Molly Ormsby and Mike Stiber

### **Adoption of Agenda**

The agenda was adopted.

### **Review of EC Minutes of October 11, 2011**

The EC minutes of October 11, 2011 were approved as amended.

### **Report of GFO Officers**

#### **GFO Chair – Steve Holland**

Holland reported on the GFO open meeting held on Monday, October 24, these meetings are basically GFO office hours, intended for faculty to speak with GFO leadership and provide feedback and input, ask questions or voice concerns on any campus issues. Holland is promoting a strong faculty voice in governance at UWB through these meetings. One important result from faculty input received will be the development of a survey to assess morale, satisfaction or concerns that faculty or staff might have with the campus today. A UW survey conducted in 2005 demonstrated a positive cultural climate at UWB for faculty and staff, the GFO would like to see if those results are consistent with today's campus culture. Discussions on non-tenure track faculty at UWB and the issues and challenges of integrating tenure-track and non-tenure track faculty into a common culture at UWB is ongoing. A forum, co-sponsored by Academic Affairs and the EC will be held to open dialog on this important matter. Bruce Kochis encourages all faculty to attend and provide input.

#### **GFO Vice Chair – Pamela Joseph**

Report on Academic Council

Pam Lundquist, UWB Registrar reported on a more user-friendly Timeschedule for UWB students.

VCAA Jeffords opened conversation on experiential learning at UWB including internships, practica, service learning, and class assignments. She also announced that the UWB Advisory Board would like to sponsor research on internships and their relationship to career success for UWB students.

A discussion on the hearing process for academic violations at UWB was held. There needs to be greater faculty involvement in this process, the hearing officer should be a faculty member rather than a staff member, as is currently the case.

Space issues are an ongoing problem at UWB, some suggestions revolve around better utilization of existing space with intensive courses on weekends or Term C classes. Online course offerings and expanding our leased space are also options.

### **Old Business**

#### **A. UWB Learning Goals**

The EC reviewed the new version of the UWB Learning Goals drafted by JoLynn Edwards. The EC will continue to develop the campus-wide learning goals and hope to have a final

version passed by the faculty by the end of this academic year. Joseph thanked Edwards for her work on the Learning Goals.

### **B. Adopted UWB Schools Proposal**

Joseph referenced the adopted UWB Schools Proposal in the EC review of any proposals coming forward for the transition of Bothell's programs to schools. She noted the major points of the proposal, including fiscal efficiencies, interdisciplinary culture, and enhanced visibility. The EC will review the Business Program's proposal today and looking over the goals and values outlined in the adopted proposal can help inform the EC's consideration of this and all new proposals.

## **New Business**

### **A. CSS PNOI for Computer Engineering**

Professor Mike Stiber presented the PNOI for a BS in Computer Engineering, a jointly offered CSS and S&T degree program to the EC. It combines the strength of two supporting programs offering Electrical Engineering and Computer Science with oversight from both programs. This delivery system for the degree is a hybrid model, with the efficiencies of two accredited degrees, maximizing existing resources.

## **EC discussion points**

- The degree is interdisciplinary and encourages collaboration
- The EC will invite Professor Arnie Berger to speak with the EC on the hybrid model offered by this degree program

## **EC motion**

Kochis moved to pass the motion:

"The EC moves to table this agenda item for action to after New Business." The motion was approved.

### **B. Proposal UWB School of Business**

Professor Sandeep Krishnamurthy presented the Business Program's Proposal to Transition the UW Bothell Business Program to the UW Bothell School of Business. The UWB Business Program is jointly accredited with the UW Foster School of Business and the UWT Milgard School of Business, the transition to school for the UWB Business Program will create the organizational structure to support the greater growth and independent accreditation in the future.

## **EC discussion points**

- Will the School of Business be departmentalized? Krishnamurthy – there is no clear articulation at this time on departmentalization, it is premature for that decision.
- Clarification on the structure of the personnel and curriculum committee is requested by the EC.
- The transition from program to school will have a positive impact on stakeholders.
- The proposal states that the benefits of the proposed designation of school will allow for improved quality of learning and the general academic quality of degrees. The EC would like clarification on how that will happen.

### EC motion

Kochis moved to pass the motion:

"The EC moves to table this agenda item for action to after New Business." The motion was approved.

#### **C. Proposal to Remove 80 Credit Limit for General Transfer**

Hung Dang, Assistant Vice Chancellor, DEM & Student Affairs presented a proposal to Remove the 80 Credit Limit for General Transfer to the EC. The current policy requires transfer applicants with 80 plus transfer credits to be considered for admission by an academic program. The new policy, effective Spring Quarter 2012 removes the credit limit for consideration for admission of general transfer.

### EC discussion points

- Students are now sent elsewhere to complete the pre-requisites required, this policy would allow the student to complete these pre-requisites at UWB.
- A concern in admitting these students is that we may be admitting students that cannot get admission into a program at UWB.
- The criteria for admission to the university is not the same criteria for admission to a program.
- Unless we have a general studies major, this policy may not accommodate students very well, we do not want to create a pipeline with students that cannot enter programs.

The EC representatives will get feedback on this policy from their programs.

### EC motion

Kochis moved to pass the motion:

"The EC moves to table this agenda item for action at a later time." The motion was approved.

### Reports from Program Representatives

- A. Business – no report**
- B. Computing and Software Systems – no report**
- c. Education – no report**
- D. Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences – no report**
- E. Nursing – no report**
- F. Science & Technology**

Jackels reported that the CSS and S&T programs are fleshing out how a partnership would work from a curricular standpoint on the proposed Computer Engineering degree. He also raised concern about resources for supporting additional growth in science and technology.

### EC motion

Holland moved to pass the motion:

"The EC endorses forwarding the Computer Engineering PNOI to the UWB Academic Council and the Higher Education Coordinating Board".

The motion was seconded, hearing no objections, Joseph called for a vote. By show of hands, the motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### EC motion

Holland moved to pass the motion:  
"The EC recommends moving the Proposal to Transition the UW Bothell Business Program to the UW Bothell School of Business to a second reading.

The motion was seconded and discussion followed.

### EC recommendations:

The EC requests clarification on how the benefits of the proposed designation of school will allow for improved academic quality and coherence.

Joseph called the question on the original motion, and hearing no objection, called for a vote. The motion to move the Proposal to Transition the UW Bothell Business Program to the UW Bothell School of Business to a second reading was adopted unanimously (7-0).

### EC motion

Kochis moved to pass the motion:  
"The EC recommends postponing action on the proposal to Remove the 80 Credit Limit for General Transfer.

The motion was seconded and discussion followed.

### EC recommendations:

The EC representatives will get feedback from their programs on the proposed change.

Joseph called the question on the original motion, and hearing no objection, called for a vote. The motion to postpone action on the proposal to Remove the 80 Credit Limit for General Transfer was adopted unanimously (7-0).

### Reports of Standing Councils/Committees – no reports

- A. **College Council on Promotion, Tenure, and Faculty Affairs**  
Holland distributed the annual report from the CCPTFA submitted by Professor Cherry Banks. The EC will review the report and the recommendations of the CCPTFA.
- B. **Faculty Council on Tri-Campus Policy (FCTCP)**  
Joseph explained that the first meeting focused on agenda setting and mentioned that visibility of the branch campuses to faculty on the Seattle campus appears to be an ongoing issue.
- C. **Instruction and Research Support Committee – no report**

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am  
Minutes submitted by Barbara Van Sant  
The next EC meeting will be November 8, 2011.