

May 8, 2013

General Staff Organization Meeting Minutes

Attending: Emily Christian, Janice Crosetti, Therese Grant, Ellis Zhuang, Jim Pilon, Bronica Sam, Sue Morgan, Robyn Smidley, Lisa Walker

Guests: General Faculty Organization (GFO) Chair, Pam Joseph, and Vice Chair, Kari Lerum, were our guests today. Pam and Kari gave an overview of the purpose of the GFO as a forum for faculty to come together to make recommendations to the Chancellor. For example, the GFO may make recommendations related to part-time lecturer contracts, diversity issues and concerns which pertain to the mission and learning goals of our campus, professional development, SAF allocation, and faculty awards.

We talked about areas where the GFO and GSO may be able to combine resources and/or partner regarding certain events, and to ensure communication among the various groups on campus. Some examples were:

- Climate surveys amongst staff/faculty
- Wellness workshops for staff/faculty
- Spring /Summer BBQ

Spring/Summer BBQ: An opportunity for faculty and staff to come together to learn about the various building/development projects around downtown Bothell and near our campus. The BBQ would be paired with a panel discussion and presentation featuring developers working on the Bothell Landing, McMenimans, Gateway Project on Beardslee.

At this time, we're trying to find a date where faculty, staff and students would be on campus in September, as September 24 is Convocation and classes start on the 25.

Action Item: Lisa and Therese will check dates.

Meeting adjourned

Next liaison meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 10 – UW1 103, noon – 1:00 p.m.