MINUTES
Woodring Faculty Affairs Council
November 9, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Miller Hall 158

Committee: John Korsmo (Chair), Trula Nicholas, Kristen French, Steph Strachan, Tracey Pyscher, LeAnne Robinson, Karen Dade, Horacio Walker
Regrets: Keith Hyatt
Support: Cheryl Mathison

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Welcome

2. Approve minutes from 10/26/2018
   Motion: LeAnne Robinson
   2nd: Karen Dade
   Abstain: Trula Nicholas
   Unanimously approved, with amendments.

3. Dean Updates
   a. WCE Budget Overview
      i. The Dean provided two handouts that summarized the current budget and facilitated a discussion regarding budgetary issues.
      ii. The carryforward balance has been diminishing over the last 5 years.
      iii. It is healthy to have a percentage of the budget to carry over.
      iv. Dean Walker met with the Provost to discuss the budget. The amount of state support hasn’t changed, but the cost of doing business has.
      v. New initiatives rely on Foundation funding.
      vi. There is talk of a new program in Seattle that partnerships with Highline and South Seattle Community College.
      vii. The Dean’s office has a detailed program by program accounting for EE revenue.
      viii. EE continues to take the same percentage as they always have from program revenues.
      ix. The Foundation provides discretionary funds.
         1. This year Foundation funds will pay $30,000. For the Diversity Initiative.
   b. Planning of budget cycle 2018-19
      i. Submitted January 30:
         1. One page summary of strategic priorities that include goals
         2. Three challenges and three opportunities.
      ii. All funding proposals must align with the strategic priorities.
      iii. February 15: Submit a list of initiatives WCE would like for the next 6 years for funding.
      iv. UPRC will sort the initiatives and qualify decision packages
      v. Budget decisions are due in April.
      vi. The role of FAC in this is open for discussion.
      vii. UPRC makes recommendations to the President and Provost, who make the decisions.
      viii. Beth Boland is new on UPRC, representing the graduate school.
      ix. Social Justice is the embodiment of WWU strategic Plan.

TO DO LIST

Invite RSP to a future WFAC meeting to discuss grant writing and funding possibilities: John will invite Tracey Finch to meeting.
Suggested language for DEP review (Tracey)
Discuss mentorship with junior faculty
x. Horacio will start the process and distribute.

c. CHSS/WCE Diana L. Jones Grant

4. Committee recruitment and selection process Bylaw change request: Tabled (LeAnne)

5. Considering an Equity Lens set of questions/document: Tabled (Kristen)

6. Further discussion and action on enacting Strategic Plan through an initial focus on Priority #1. Tabled
   a. Supporting Department-level Strategic Planning

7. Good of the order
   a. Discussion on Legislative actions:
      i. There is a new law that requires schools to report isolations and disciplinary actions in elementary schools
      ii. Outcomes for two bills
          1. Schools could no longer suspend K-1st graders – did not pass
          2. Mandatory dyslexia testing for K-1st graders - passed
      iii. Legislative policy makers have power and money.
      iv. Partner with Becca Kenna-Schenk to engage with legislators
      v. Legislature is mandating what happens in schools, there is an opportunity for collaboration.
      vi. As researchers it is time to start now, get the narrative ready, backed up with data. We need to be strategically and actively prepared.
      vii. Request faculty who do Advocacy and Policy work to contact FAC.
      viii. The State Superintendent will be at Options High school from 6-7:30 on November 20, for a Community Forum.
   b. Bylaws:
      i. The Bylaws Committee has been formed and will meet on Tuesday, November 20.
   c. Bill Lonneman has agreed to take Keith’s place on the Senate Extended Education Committee
   d. Kristen is on the Waterfront Committee and reported that things are moving quickly regarding the 6 acres the university can purchase.
   e. Uses for the Waterfront property are being discussed. Kristen will discuss options at the next FAC meeting and will send out thinking points for the discussion.