Minutes/Draft  
Woodring Faculty Governance Council  
October 25, 2019, 10:00 – 12:00  
Miller Hall 158

Committee: Christine Espina, Tracey Pyscher, LeAnne Robinson, Karen Dade, Horacio Walker  
Regrets: Trula Nicholas Desiree Cueto, Aaron Perzigian, LeAnne Robinson  
Guests: Tracy Coskie, Beth Boland  
Support: Cheryl Mathison

Review of Minutes 10.11.2019  
Tabled due to lack of quorum.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

• Updates:  
  o Django Paris presentation, Monday, October 28, 9-11:30, MH Collaborative Space.  
  o The intergenerational charter high school has hired two faculty.  
  o Karen will send out an invitation for NAME presentation group to meet.  
  o NAME presentation will be on Saturday at 3pm.  
  o The NURS accreditation visit was last week. The process is not yet finalized; however, they met all standards.  
  o C2C director search continues, along with the OFE front desk position and the ED TPA position search.

• Vote on nominees for university standing committees:  
  o Vote tabled, no quorum.

• Presentation: Transition from the Graduate Council to a Graduate Faculty Governance Council.  
  Beth Boland  
  o The grad school is making a transition from a graduate council to a faculty governance council.  
  o Information available: https://gradschool.wwu.edu/gfgc-transition  
  o There will be a 30 day comment period, then a faculty vote.  
  o Members to be appointed through Woodring Faculty Governance Council.

• Co-Associate Dean for Academic Affairs. Tracy Coskie  
  o Tracy shared a handout of the Duties and Responsibilities for this position  
  o This shared associate dean position is a two year model, it is a good opportunity for faculty who are interested in gaining experience with administrative duties  
  o Discussion:  
    ▪ Possibility of FGC developing guidelines for faculty mentors.  
    ▪ Two initiatives Tracy is working on are a review of the OFE structure, and mechanisms to support research and creative activities by faculty.  
    ▪ How can FGC help with supporting faculty research?

TO DO LIST

Invite RSP to a future FAC meeting to discuss grant writing and funding possibilities: Invite Tracey Finch to meeting.  
Suggested language for DEP review (Tracey)  
Discuss mentorship with junior faculty
• Quarterly meetings to discuss research
• Poster session of faculty research

• Faculty Senate Update: Tracy Coskie:
  o There is a new president for FS who is setting a new tone for the meetings.
  o At the last meeting of last year there was a vote to change the Faculty Code of Ethics to
    ban the use of the “N” word in classes.
  o The union brought this back to the Faculty Senate, as it is not bargainable.
  o A new task force is in place to draft an actionable legal document to replace the one
    passed last year.

• Other:
  o Steph will miss the next two UPRC meetings. Beth Boland attends for the Graduate
    Committee, and might be willing to report to FGC in Steph’s absence.
  o Karen will get the NAME group together.