Woodring College of Education  
Woodring Advisory Council Meeting  
Tuesday, April 11, 2017  

Minutes

**Attendees:** Pamela Brock, David Carroll, Sara Chiabai, Gail Coulter, Karen Dade, Paula Dagnon, Kate Foster, Kristin French, Greg Hoffenbacker, Peter Johnson, Bruce Larson, Francisco Rios, Kevin Roxas, Anselmo Villanueva, Carola Williams, Laura Wellington

**Regrets:** Larry Antil, Bruce Larson, Trula Nicols, Nat Reilly

**Recorder:** Karen Olstad

### Agenda Items

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| **Welcome, Re-Introductions and Announcements** | • Francisco welcomed everyone and asked them to introduce/reintroduce themselves for the benefit of people new to the WAC and the college.  
• **New WAC Representative on Strategic Planning Committee** – We need a new WAC Representative to Strategic Planning Committee, with availability to meet alternating Mondays beginning April 24, 10:00-11:30. Anselmo volunteered.  
• Reminded group of **EDC Dinner**, April 21. Still looking for RSVPs for attendees and also items to donate to the raffle ticket gift baskets. No cost to attend, donations are requested. Community members are encouraged to attend.  
• New statewide scholarship to address teacher shortage in particular subjects and/or districts. State will develop the list. It is a $10K forgivable loan, based upon student need. WA Student Achievement Council established the criteria and makes the awards. There is another program for student teachers.  
• We will be co-sponsoring movie on campus “Starving the Beast” attack on public higher education, Monday May 8 at 4:00 | Francisco will include in next News & Notes  
Francisco will send out information to everyone in the college  
Info included in newsletter |
| **Reports from Leadership Councils** | • **Faculty Affairs Council (FAC)** – Kristin French – FAC has been reviewing the By Laws. John Korso has been elected as chair elect for next year.  
• **Chairs & Directors Council** – David Carroll – Joint meeting with ESD in Anacortes. Learned more about what each group does. Broke into 5 working groups to discuss particular topics. Found much overlapping interest and |  |
shared commitments to work together.
- Committed to adding STI curriculum to the 310 classes in addition to adding a single credit course under leadership of Krisitin French.
- Good meeting with President Randawa who wanted to learn more about challenges facing WCE.

- **Staff Advisory Committee (SAC) – Carola Williams**
  - Been pretty quiet. Safety meeting had to be rescheduled. Winter quarter was busy for staff. Will be holding elections for new officers this spring.

- **By Laws Committee – Anselmo Villanueva**
  - Proposal that each of the Centers come under auspices of the Dean rather than in individual departments with some exceptions. Our centers are resource centers rather than academic centers and serve the entire college. Karen Dade reported that a lot of work has been done and recommendation will be coming forth. The Dean will be doing the evaluations of the Centers going forward.
  - Also changes to voting
  - Adding an additional committee regarding Internationalization to become standing committee. It received an endorsement from Institute for Global Engagement.

- **Strategic Planning – Peter Johnson**
  - after having established 4 strategic priorities for the college, going to meet with Departmentants to better understand what projects they are working on that will help college achieve meet its strategic priorities. Planning to meet with new Dean to establish goals for next AY.

### New Dean On-Boarding

Horacio Walker will be on campus May 21-26. He won’t be spending a lot of time with us; his visit is primarily personal. However he will be available for a couple meetings internal and external to college. Francisco asked group for suggestions as to structure for the internal meeting(s). David suggested a theme “Looking Forward: Opportunities & Challenges.” Consensus was to have two 45 minute sessions open to all--each with a facilitator to keep conversation going. Bruce Larson was nominated to be the facilitator.

Dean Walker’s first day at Western will be August 1st, actual date that he will assume Dean responsibilities will be negotiated between he and Francisco.

### WAC on WAC

FAC asked question as to why WAC was needed. Is it redundant with work of other groups? What is its role in the leadership for the college? Is the WAC really the Dean’s committee rather than the leadership of the college? Maybe arrival of new Dean is time to rethink the WAC?

Group reviewed the committee’s charge (as outlined in its By Laws committee needs to meet to clarify recommendations in time to be able to be voting on prior to end of AY

Greg will update
By Laws) which primarily deal with college-wide initiatives and programs and also to give feedback regarding implications of recommendations by any unit. It is important to remember that WAC is only an advisory body.

Francisco asked group about the way that WAC does its work. How could the agenda creation be more collective? How do we include student voices in the work of the WAC and other committees as well? Suggestion to make college-wide announcement that we need students to serve. Another suggestion was to schedule dedicated time for student voices on the agenda and solicit input.

Sarah suggested that the WAC members report back to WAC regarding the WAC items discussed with their respective constituent groups.

Francisco will ask group for future discussion topics in order to prepare materials and/or presenters.

### Building Safety and Profiling Concerns

Discussion about ensuring building safety without racial profiling. Karen Dade said that the Chief of Police is meeting with the Equity and Diversity Committee to discuss. She reported that the police report on physical descriptions based on information provided by the victims and report it the same way as other police jurisdictions in the city and county.

Anselmo reported that at the regular weekly meeting for C2C following the recent incident near the restroom in basement, female student employees were concerned about their safety. An Asian-American male reported that female students were running away from him.

Discussion about relevant issues ensued and will be continued. Any concerns or suggestions can be forwarded to Karen O. or Carole or departmental rep to building safety committee.

### Future Meeting Topic

- Plan for Internationalization
- Plan for Student Representation on Committees
- Building Safety Concerns
- College Budget

### Next Meeting

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 2:00 – 4:00; MH 258