

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
Meeting
Faculty Assembly - Academic Policy Committee (APC)
Wednesday, December 8, 2010
GWP 215
12:30-1:30 p.m.

Attendance: George Mobus, Chair; Linda Ishem, Janice Laakso, Greg Noronha, Ruth Rea, Bobbe Miller Murray

- 1. The minutes from November 9, 2010 were approved with revisions.**
- 2. Student Appeal**

A Student Appeal regarding the UW Tacoma (UWT) Residency Requirement for graduation was discussed. The student has not completed the final 45 of 60 total credits at UWT (the home campus) which is the requirement. Bobbe Miller Murray, Registrar explained the student is only appealing the requirement, because some of the credits were not taken at the home campus. It is possible the coursework the student will be doing next quarter could be counted as UWT credits. However, the student is not certain of this, so he would like to have the appeal approved just in case.

Action: APC voted to approve the Student Appeal on the basis that the student has complemented the required or will complete the credits despite the fact the last 45 credits have not being completed at UWT (home campus).

- 3. UWT Budget Meetings**

APC discussed the recent Budget Principles Meeting from the last few weeks. The focus was to discuss whether APC should provide feedback/input about the budget process.

George Mobus asked the APC to consider what role, if any, APC should play in budget decisions, given APC's charter. In February 2011 the Executive Planning Council (EPC) will provide a report to UW Seattle that will consider the Budget Principles. Mobus will forward a copy of the last Draft Budget Principles document.

George explained that the APC that he would like to see the Budget Principles Meetings to focus on UWT's core mission. On the UWT website, the mission is generally described and APC will have to consider its duties.

Feedback

Janice Laakso commented APC might have some role in evaluating new programs regarding the potential to bring in new revenue. Laakso suggested APC provide feedback regarding academic quality and increasing class size.

The APC will review the self assessment documents that came out of the Budget Principles Meetings. Greg Noronha suggested that APC should not be involved in the budget activities except to be informed, since these discussions will be happening at the at the unit level.

Rea commented on how programs are focusing more on assessing cost-quality.

4. Continuing discussion re: Oversight committee of faculty for Gen Ed.

Mobus passed around the Issues regarding Faculty Oversight of the General Education (lower division) Office Proposal.

Feedback

Noronha expressed concern about adding another committee and thought some of the work could be handled by APC.

Mobus will serve on this new committee and Jose Rios has agreed to serve.

Mobus commented that Ingrid Walker will serve as an ex-officio to provide suggestions. The new committee will also bring their work to APC.

Rea suggested adding someone to serve who works in lower division courses.

Action: The APC voted to approve the Issues regarding Faculty Oversight of the General Education (lower division) Office Proposal.

5. Winter meetings

During winter quarter, APC will meet on alternating days and this will be sent via the list serve.

6. Enrollment Services (Miller Murray)

There are two proposals forthcoming: one is related to international students and the second is related to reducing the TOEFL score and one to begin admitting international freshmen. In addition, Miller Murray is researching new procedures for handling students who have been dropped for low scholarship.

7. Academic Conduct

Rea is serving this year and will be dealing with Academic issues versus behavioral.

8. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.