

CFR Minutes

CFR Meeting, September 22, 2017

Meeting time: 9:30 – 11:30

Present: Michael Berger, Nicole Campbell, Michael Curry, Michael Dunn, Susan Finley, Dawn Garzon Maaks, Dene Grigar, Ed Hagen, George Newman, Elizabeth Soliday, Stephen Solovitz, and Sara Waters.

Reading of the minutes

- Minutes from 9/8/17 were approved as amended.

Reports from Officers, Boards and Standing Committees

- Campus Council: Berger reported on Campus Council. Discussion included enrollment and the University budget situation.
- Faculty Senate and Steering committee: Finley reported on Faculty Senate activities. Items discussed at the recent meeting included the new annual review process, increased leave accruals, and the approval (for two years) of across the board raises rather than merit increases. Faculty Senate constituency concerns included a report of difficulties by faculty with navigating the system for medical leave and accessibility accommodations, a faculty concern that has been reported on this campus and may indicate systemic issues for faculty.
- Reminder: CFR representatives should review Faculty Senate agendas and communicate areas of concern to Finley. Faculty Senate agendas are posted here: https://facsen.wsu.edu/current_agenda/

Announcements

- President Schultz will be visiting with CFR on November 17, 11am – 12pm.
- Judi McDonald, Faculty Senate Chair, will be visiting in February.
- Faculty Senate requested CFR assistance in nominating a representative for the Research and Arts Committee from the College of Engineering. Xinghui Zhao was nominated.
- VCAA visit with CFR on September 22 was canceled.
- Greg Rose requested assistance in reviewing Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee agendas for items of concern. CFR representatives should review the agendas and communicate areas of concern to him. Rose will email the agendas to representatives.
- There is a proposal for a new minor in Electrical Engineering. Berger will send the proposal with next meeting's agenda.

New Business

- Research Advisory Committee (RAC) nominations: RAC is seeking nominations for outgoing committee members and for a new CFR representative. Hagen volunteered and was approved as CFR representative to RAC. Because Cory Bolkan is on sabbatical,

CFR recommended and approved Soliday as representative for Human Development on RAC. CFR was in agreement with the other nominees suggested.

- Agenda items for Chancellor's visit during October 6 CFR Meeting: Suggested agenda items include the financial system/ERP update, budget update, wage and raise structure, campus relationship with our legislature, and an update on the master plan, housing, buildings and accessibility
- Campus closure statement: CFR has been asked to provide a statement and options for faculty related to situations where there is inclement weather but the campus is open. Berger collected ideas and will write a draft statement that can be discussed at the next CFR meeting.
- By-law revision: CFR approved creating a subcommittee to discuss by-law revisions. Berger, Curry, Finley and Newman volunteered.
- Dunn reported concerns and questions related to the new schedule template and how it is being implemented. This will be added as a discussion item for the VCAA.

Minutes submitted by Nicole Campbell, 9/22/17.