Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting, WCC/UH-W – Mar. 5, 2002

Provost's Conference Room

Present: Senators -
Roy Fujimoto - Social Sciences
Winston Kong - Student Services
Wei Ling Landers - Mathematics
Antoinette Martin - Humanities
Floyd McCoy - Natural Sciences
Laurie Tomchak - Language Arts
Tiffany Severns - Academic Support
Emi Troeger - Business

Senate Chairs -
Floyd McCoy
Charles Whitten
Ben Moffat

Guests: Jean Shibuya (CAAC)
Leimomi Dierks (Natural Sciences)

Faculty senate convened at 1240 for a regular meeting. Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed, corrected and approved (moved: T. Severns; seconded: A. Martin; passed).

Old Business

Discussion on representation on the faculty senate and on the CAAC from the ETC – faculty senate chairs will discuss this further and bring recommendations to the next faculty senate meeting.

Volunteers are needed for committees to review nominations for the Excellence in Teaching award, and applicants for sabbatical leave. For the former, it was recommended that faculty senate advise Provost Meixell to ask the last three recipients of the award to serve; for the latter, senators were requested to e-mail suggested nominees to C. Whitten.

Discussion was concerned with scheduling, revision of the date for completion of “I” grades, and related issues such as instructional days, using the trimester/quarter system, etc. It was announced that an Enrollment Management Committee shall consist of the Deans, C. Whitten and E. Ashley.

Discussion on the acceptance of “D” grades for transfer resulted in the recommendation that the issue be continued at the next faculty senate meeting.

Additional discussion concerned the status of the math requirement issue and information retrieval and technology requirement; both continue as active concerns for further consideration.

New Business

CAAC chair J. Shibuya recommended approval of the change of Secondary Piano 4C to Piano 4 and new course Art 269C Study Abroad (4 credits) (moved: C. Whitten; seconded: E. Troeger; passed). In addition, the modification of the course description for IS 160L and 161L to note that field trips are an optional activity, thus allowing for insurance coverage on field trips (moved: F. McCoy; seconded: T. Severns; passed).

Reports

C. Whitten noted concerns with composing the UHCC Strategic Plan, with clarification of what the input from WCC has been, or is, and with deadlines that seem altered from comments made at the Excellence in Education conference last week at LCC.

Meeting adjourned at 1248.
Submitted: F. McCoy