

## March 15, 2017 Faculty Meeting Minutes – FINAL

Faculty Chair Liza Rognas opened the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

The following announcements were made:

- Liza welcomed Jennifer Drake, our future Provost, who is in Olympia searching for a house.
- Ellen Shortt Sanchez, Jennifer Martinez and Catalina Ocampo announced a campus civic action plan that is currently being drafted for Evergreen.
- Tom Womeldorff indicated he will be sending an e-mail to faculty inviting them to attend Day of Presence faculty development opportunities.
- Therese Saliba indicated that the proposals for the for Day of Presence that were not selected are informing the planning for summer institutes. She also provided additional information about summer institute planning more generally.
- Therese provided an update on faculty hiring.
- Ruth Hayes announced *The Real Housewives of Thurston County*, a student production occurring this week.
- Jenny Williams thanked faculty for participating in last week's All-Campus Mentoring Day.

The March 1, 2017 Faculty Meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

**Discussion of Spring Faculty Meeting Schedule** – Faculty Chair-Elect Steve Blakeslee represented the Agenda Committee in a query of the faculty on whether or not additional Faculty Meeting time should be added for special interviews for the Vice President/Vice Provost of Equity & Inclusion, in addition to the other fora that will be held. Search Committee chair Carolyn Prouty followed with some additional detail about the search and need for this position, along with the timeline of the search. Steve asked for input from the faculty and a short discussion ensued, followed by Steve's invitation to provide additional feedback before the Agenda Committee finalizes the spring schedule.

**Curriculum Planning Structures to Improve Coherence and Clarity II** – Standing Committee on the Curriculum (SCC) Chair Krishna Chowdary presented a refresher on the history of the formation of the SCC, and then indicated that the focus of today's discussion is on the tasks/roles for faculty leadership positions that will promote curricular coherence and clarity. He emphasized that the SCC is seeking to promote the many ways that interdisciplinary breadth and depth are articulated by faculty. Krishna provided information on the 120+ pathways that were provided by faculty, along with faculty feedback on types of planning models. Faculty were then asked to consider their top five priorities of the tasks and roles for these faculty leadership positions, building off a list provided on the board. A discussion followed.

**What's Next?: The Faculty's Role in Institutional Change** – Steve facilitated a discussion centered around how decisions to carry forward the many ideas that have been brought before the faculty will occur. A discussion followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.