

June 6, 2018 Faculty Meeting Minutes – DRAFT

Faculty Chair Steve Blakeslee opened the meeting at 3:16 p.m. with an overview of the agenda and announcement about an upcoming faculty governance survey, encouragement to participate in graduation, and a request that faculty save the date for the September academic retreat.

Faculty Meeting Minutes – the May 23, 2018 Faculty Meeting minutes were approved as distributed.

Agenda Committee Nominations/Votes – John Caraher and Melissa Nivala were nominated and elected as incoming members of the Agenda Committee.

Faculty Emerita/Emeritus Nominations (part two of two) -- The following retiring faculty were nominated for Faculty Emerita/Emeritus status and, with no objections, were all confirmed by unanimous consent:

George Freeman (nominated by Alison Styring, Terry Ford, and Marcella Benson-Quaziena)
Artee Young (nominated by Jules Unsel)

Recognition of Retiring Adjunct Faculty Colleagues – The following retiring faculty were recognized for their years of service to Evergreen:

Lester Krupp (recognized by Rita Pougiales)
David Phillips (recognized by George Freeman)

Enrollment Recovery Initiatives Final Report – Larry Geri provided information on who has been working on this initiative and a reminder of why the College is engaged in this work. He went on to explain some of the challenges the proposals are attempting to address, both externally and internally; regional employment growth trends; and some of the ideas, such as the value of the liberal arts and experiential learning, that are gaining traction nationally. He provided information on the enrollment recovery proposals that the team considered, along with research on Evergreen student interest. He concluded the presentation with information on the three program clusters that are at the top of the list: increased capacity to offer psychology and health programs, creation of an entrepreneurship hub, and re-envisioning of the bachelor of science degree. A comment/Q&A period followed.

Geoduck Student Assembly Plan – Geoduck Student Union representatives Brandon Ellington, Alex Markley, and Beth Shelley provided information on an identified need to increase student access to governance that led them to create a new student assembly plan. They then provided an overview of the new plan and information on the steps to prepare for next year. A comment/Q&A period followed.

Closing Announcements and Appreciations

- Therese Saliba thanked faculty for signing up for summer institutes and highlighted three institutes that remain open for registration.
- Amy Betz reminded faculty that there will be a new scheduling system in place in the fall.
- Carolyn Prouty reminded faculty of the upcoming remembrance of Raquel Salinas.
- Greg Mullins reminded faculty of the final gallery exhibition of the year.
- Abby Kelso announced that Return to Evergreen that will be occurring in October and encouraged faculty participate.
- Eric Trevan indicated that the Council of Faculty (COF) just had a retreat and remains active in coordinating on behalf of faculty and the Washington public 4-year institutions more broadly. Ralph Murphy followed to ask for greater institutional support for the COF.
- Sandy Yannone reminded faculty of workshops that are taking place to support senior academic statements that are due next week, and that QuASR and the Writing Center will remain open this summer.
- Lori Blewett let UFE members know that today is the last day for voting.
- Steve Blakeslee asked faculty who have served or supported the Agenda Committee to stand and be recognized, and thanked the faculty at large for their contributions.
- Richard Weiss thanked Steve Blakeslee for his service as chair.
- Ralph Murphy thanked all who have worked on the recovery plan.
- Therese Saliba thanked new leaders Jen Drake and Chassity Holliman-Douglas.
- Graduation information, including this year's speakers, is now on the graduation website.