

## February 12, 2014 Faculty Meeting Minutes – FINAL

**Faculty Chair Welcome** -- Faculty Chair-elect Sandy Yannone presided over the meeting (at the request of Faculty Chair Abir Biswas, who was on a fieldtrip) and opened the meeting at 1:12 p.m. with a poem.

**General Announcements** -- The following announcements were made:

- Rip Heminway reminded faculty of a full-year pilot with 15 faculty using Canvas in preparation for a possible transition from Moodle to Canvas (with one year of overlap) next year.
- Sarah Ryan reminded faculty of author Sasha Abramsky's visit next Wednesday evening.
- Lin Nelson announced the Farmworkers Justice Program that will occur in two weeks.
- Michael Zimmerman acknowledged Faculty Emerita Carolyn Dobbs' recent passing and indicated a celebration of her life will take place on Sunday, March 2.
- Sandy announced that the Art of Living dinner and auction will occur next Thursday evening in Tacoma.

**Approve Faculty Meeting Minutes** – The January 29, 2014 Faculty Meeting Minutes were approved as distributed.

**Council of Faculty Representatives Update** – Council of Faculty Representatives (CFR) Liza Rognas and Lin Nelson provided a brief update of their work to date and indicated they would distribute an end-of-session report.

**Planning Unit Coordinator DTF** – Co-chair Andrew Reece reminded the faculty of the DTF's recent work to conduct a historical review, and that they are now in the process of consulting with faculty through planning unit discussions, surveys, and at faculty meetings to inform the DTF's deliberations. DTF member Anne Fischel introduced fishbowl discussion participants Barbara Smith, Jin Darney, Kristina Ackley, Stacey Davis, Kevin Francis, Tom Womeldorff and Julia Zay. Anne posed a series of questions that the group responded to in turn, followed by a more general Q&A. After the fishbowl presenters were thanked, DTF member Bob Leverich closed the session by providing some information on the DTF's next steps.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 p.m.