

December 10, 2014 Faculty Meeting Minutes – FINAL

Chair-elect Liza Rognas, filling in because Sandy Yannone is ill, opened the meeting at 1:14.

Announcements

- Liza thanked Gillies Malnarich, departing Co-Director for the Washington Center, for her service.
- Liza announced that the Washington Consortium for the Liberal Arts, of which Evergreen is a founding member, is the recipient of Phi Beta Kappa's Key of Excellence award for its work to promote the liberal arts.
- Naima Lowe provided information on Healing Justice Thursday and encouraged faculty to participate.
- Students Pamela and Zoe advocated for funding to maintain the Evergreen Gallery and distributed a petition of support.
- Brendon Hale of the Geoduck Student Union announced that its previous liaison resigned. There will be a new liaison appointed and more updates early next quarter.
- Andrew Reece announced that the Curricular Cohorts report is available at blogs.evergreen.edu/cohorts.

Faculty Meeting Minutes for November 19 and December 1, 2014 were approved as distributed.

Admissions and Student Retention -- Admissions Director Phil Betz provided an overview of recent admissions and applicant decision-making trends, along with current plans in place in Admissions. Institutional Research and Assessment Director Laura Coghlan provided data on fall to fall retention between fall 2013 and fall 2014. The presentations were followed by a brief Q&A.

Proposed Frozen Hires and Failed Searches Addendum to “Hiring Priorities DTF Report, Task 2” from May 30, 2013 – Agenda Committee member Trevor Speller distributed and presented, on behalf of the Agenda Committee, a revision to the draft addendum to the Hiring Priorities DTF, Task 2 proposal that was first presented at the November 19, 2014 Faculty Meeting. An amendment to change the proposal's current “recommend” statements in the prologue and sections A1, A2 and B4 to “shall” statements did not pass. A vote on the proposal as distributed passed 38 in favor, 1 opposed, 5 abstained.

Faculty Meeting Questions for Presidential Candidates – Liza distributed a handout with the advertised presidential candidate desired qualifications and leadership attributes, along with the Faculty Meeting questions of the Provost's candidates in 2011. She then asked the faculty to work in small groups to develop themes and questions for the upcoming presidential candidate Faculty Meeting interviews. Agenda Committee members took notes on the discussions and will come back with a draft of questions that reflect common themes among today's small groups.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.