11/8/2018 University Faculty Organization Committee Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Suzanne Sumner, Janine Davis, Mike Lapke, Don Lee, Wei Chen, Christy Irish

Approval of last meeting's minutes (8/24/18): Approved.

Budget Director: Committee members gave their inputs for the three nominees for the Faculty Representative on the Budget Director Search Committee and discussed. UFOC appointed Will Mackintosh to the search committee.

Finding replacement for Caitie Finlayson on Sabbaticals, Fellowships, and Faculty Awards Committee: Janine will be in charge of doing the election. Suzanne is hoping to do nominations next week (11/12 to 11/16). The election will run 11/26 to 11/30. Suzanne will check for Faculty Handbook language about who is eligible to vote (CAS Social Science faculty).

Database creation in Mike's class: Mike Lapke taught his students how to create the database for faculty committee assignments. Janine explained to his students what UFOC wants. Students have built the database. The process side of the project will take more time. The database will have a search function for faculty assignments for committees in the present and in the past. The database is hosted on Domain of One's Own. Should we be concerned about issues with privacy? Who should have access to this database other than UFOC members? Students are going to do a presentation of what they have built during the last week of class (December 6th, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.).

Budget Advisory Committee: UFOC received a request to dissolve the Budget Advisory Committee. UFOC forwarded the request to UFC since UFC has the ability to create and dissolve committees. Suzanne will contact UFC Chair Jackie Gallagher about what UFOC's role should be.

Faculty Governance Report: Last year Provost Nina Mikhalevsky and Dean Keith Mellinger asked UFOC to streamline faculty governance. Last Spring UFOC surveyed faculty committee chairs for university and college committees for feedback on committee membership and charge. We discussed the pros and cons of combining committees as a way to streamline faculty governance. Plan: Divide up the workload among UFOC members and get together in the beginning of the Spring 2019 and discuss.