

September 19, 2019, 330-4:30 in George Washington Hall,
Minutes—**Draft**

Committee members present:

2021 Patricia Orozco, Lecturer, MLL, CAS —Chair

2022 Chris Ryder, Associate Professor, MUSIC, CAS member

Ex-officio:

Juliette Landphair, Vice President for Student Affairs

Invited:

Cedric Rucker, Associate Vice President & Dean of Student Life

Introductions. We welcomed our new member and introduced ourselves.

Charge of the committee. We reviewed our charge and description in the Faculty Handbook and discussion followed (see Attachment 1). Patricia shared a clarification between Ex-officio and Invited provided by John Morello where he stated that Ex-officio members are appointed. We also expressed our desire to work with UMW President's Office to inquire about the possibility of having two non voting student members appointed this year. No changes about our charge and description were requested.

Future Agenda items. Chair shared her ideas discussed with Vice President Landphair and Associate Vice President & Dean Rucker.

Balancing a half-time job or 20+ hrs. while attending university. As years go by, students have noticeably taken more responsibilities outside academics. It is believed that our university can no longer expect that a student will solely be dedicated to schoolwork. It is necessary to find out what change faculty need to implement in our classes to work with them to ensure their success. The committee has invited the Associate Provost for Academic Engagement and Student Success, Timothy M. O'Donnell.

The successful diverse classroom. Faculty members have attended trainings provided by the university but how do students at UMW feel about the diverse classroom? The committee would like to know what impact these trainings have had on students perception of the diverse classroom.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30.

Attachment 1.

Here is our current committee charge:

from the Faculty Handbook 2019, pages 31-32

2.8.9 Student Affairs and Campus Life Advisory Committee The committee consists of five faculty members appointed as described in section 2.7.2. The committee also includes, as a nonvoting ex officio member, the Vice President for Student Affairs (or his or her designee) and two nonvoting student members appointed by the President to represent the Fredericksburg and Stafford Campuses, respectively. The committee's duties are to:

- .1** Work in an advisory fashion with the Vice President for Student Affairs and the Associate Vice President and Dean of Student Life on non-academic student priorities, including but not limited to, helping identify timely issues that may put our students in high-risk situations, promoting a positive community ethos across all UMW campuses, publicizing and supporting student-service opportunities, and otherwise helping develop those aspects of campus life, including new buildings, that could enhance students' educational experiences;
- .2** Communicate student-affairs and campus-life decisions to the faculty via the University Faculty Council and the governing bodies of the colleges, and faculty concerns and ideas back to the Vice President for Student Affairs and the Associate Vice President and Dean of Student Life; and
- .3** Perform other duties consistent with its charge as assigned by the University Faculty Council.