Minutes

UMW University Faculty Organization Committee

September 23, 2022, 2 PM

via Zoom

Attendee: Melissa Wells, Kevin Good, Kelly Yoon, Brooks Kuykendall, Samirah Fallah, Parrish Waters

1. Call to Order 2:05 PM
2. Approval of minutes (August 31, 2022) occurred via email.
3. Ongoing Business:
   1. 2022-2023 Committees & Officers
      1. Replacements made
         1. Eric Gable was elected to fill Margaret Ray’s 2022-2023 term on UFC/CASFC (social sciences).
         2. Sayan Sarkar was appointed to fill Kim Gower’s Fall 2022 term on UAAC (COB).
         3. Erin Devlin was appointed to replace Adria Goldman’s faculty term (2022-2025) on SI.
      2. Replacements needed
         1. Replacement for Jennifer Hansen-Glucklich, Spring 2023 term on First-Year Seminar Committee (next FSEM meeting is 11/1)
         2. Replacement for Dave Rettinger’s terms (2024) on UFC–Social Sciences and CASFC
            1. UFOC will work on filling both positions starting the first week of November. The appointments and elections will be done before Thanksgiving breaks.
      3. Student representatives
         1. SGA Nominated
            1. Academic Affairs: 2 students
            2. Budget Advisory Committee: 1 student
            3. JFMC Advisory Committee: 2 students
            4. Student Affairs & Campus Life: 2 students to represent the Fredericksburg & Stafford Campuses

UFOC is still waiting for the updates

* + - 1. Director of BLS Program Nominated: Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS): Chase Sullivan was appointed.
  1. Voting system: Enrolling new faculty in CIVS
     1. Samira emailed new faculty on Sep. 6 with information on how to be enrolled in CIVS. She did not hear back from any few faculty with issues.
  2. December meeting date
     1. December 7th (Wed) 12 pm on Zoom

1. New Business
   1. Reviewing/updating UFOC recommendations in 2019-2020
      1. Kevin and Melissa communicated with Tim and Rachel.
      2. UFC chair suggests that UFC Executive Council will discuss relevant issues next Friday (9/30). UFOC can start from there.
      3. UFOC have discussed the possibilities of what UFOC is going to be asked to do. UFOC strongly believes that the whole university needs to be engaged. Therefore, a short-term on time will be very challenging. Furthermore, UFOC engaged in discussions and decisions about significant restructuring of faculty governance, especially related to representational structures like UFC. Finally, UFOC has scheduled two additional meeting dates this fall to work on tasks if needed so they know we’re prepared.
   2. Handbook edits
      1. Updating Speaking & Writing Center language in SI/WI Committee language (new language in red)
         1. 2.8.8 Speaking Intensive Committee The committee consists of five faculty members appointed as described in section §2.7.2 and the Faculty Director of the Speaking Intensive Program.
         2. 2.8.10 Writing Intensive Committee The committee consists of five faculty members appointed as described in section §2.7.2. The committee also includes the Director of the Speaking & Writing Center as a nonvoting ex officio member.
         3. The motion passed unanimously.
      2. Faculty Handbook Description of UFC
         1. Section 2.3.4: Membership and Organization of the UFC.  This section needs updates to align with recent department restructuring.
         2. 2.3.4 Membership and Organization of the UFC The UFC will be comprised of the following 18 members: three (3) faculty from the College of Education elected by COE faculty; three (3) faculty from the College of Business elected by COB faculty; nine (9) faculty members from the College of Arts and Sciences (elected by all CAS faculty) as follows: three (3) faculty elected from the health and STEM disciplines (biology, chemistry/physics, computer science, Earth/environmental sciences, mathematics, ~~physics,~~ or health/physical education/recreation), three (3) faculty elected from the social sciences (economics, geography, history/American studies, historic preservation, political science/international affairs, psychology, or sociology/anthropology), and three (3) faculty elected from the arts and humanities (art/art history, classics/philosophy/religion, communication/digital studies, English/linguistics~~/communication~~, modern languages/literatures, music, or theater/dance). Faculty will elect members of their own division. Additionally, three (3) faculty will serve as at-large council members and will be elected from the instructional faculty-at-large, for a total of eighteen (18) UFC members. The President, Provost, one staff representative selected by the Staff Advisory Council, one faculty representative from the College of Arts & Science Department Chairs, and one student representative selected by the Student Government Association serve as nonvoting ex officio members.
         3. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Announcements
3. Adjournment: 2:45 pm