

Executive Council Motions

October 11, 2005

Motion

A motion to agree in principle to the creation of the Center for University Studies and Programs as described in the draft Charter, dated October 10, 2005, including the proposed governance that involves a Faculty Oversight Committee (i.e. faculty who have appointments in degree-granting UWB programs) was approved unanimously.

Motion

A motion to provisionally accept requirements proposed by the "Lower Division Working Group concerned with non-core curricular issues" in the table (Draft Proposal - dated July 18, 2005) attached to the memo "General Education (Distribution) Requirements for UWB" was approved unanimously.

November 1, 2005

Motion

A motion to accept the CUSP Charter contingent on modifications regarding election of FOCUS Members was approved unanimously. FOCUS members will be nominated by the voting faculty who have taught university studies courses during the academic year in which the election is held, and elected by the full voting faculty of UWB.

Motion

The EC accepts the charge to FOCUS contingent on the specification of the following framework for the lower division curriculum:

- The Discovery Core will consist of 20 total credits, the distribution of which will be 10 credits in Autumn Quarter, 5 credits in Winter Quarter and 2-credits/3-credits in Spring Quarter.
- Included in the core is a 2-credit portfolio reflection and evaluation course taken after completion of 15 credits of core courses and prior to entry into the major, along with a 3-credit University Studies Interest Group course.
- The core will be designed so that students can receive credit for courses in at least two of the three areas of knowledge (VLPA, I&S, NW) in the UW distribution requirements.

The motion carried unanimously.

Motion

The EC recommends that FOCUS present the results of its preliminary plans to a faculty forum in January 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

Some pending agenda items for EC to consider:

- The EC agreed in principle to the proposed distribution requirements, but a final decision still needs to be made.
- The EC will revisit the 90 + 90 model for lower and upper division after it receives further information and guidance from Tom Bellamy.

November 15, 2005

Motion

A motion to amend the CUSP Charter to clarify that the ex officio members of FOCUS are designated without vote was unanimously approved.

A motion to concur with the slate of nominees for FOCUS with the proviso that the ex officio members of FOCUS are without vote was unanimously approved.

November 22, 2005

Motion

A motion to approve the revised MBA Curriculum Proposal as presented was unanimously approved by the EC.

December 13, 2005

Motion:

The EC approves the minimum distribution requirements for UWB graduation as outlined in the "General Education Distribution Requirements for UWB" memorandum, which are the following:

- English composition – 5 credits
- Additional writing – 7 credits
- QSR – 5 credits
- NW – 15 credits
- VLPA – 15 credits
- I & S – 15 credits

Individual program faculty are authorized to adopt higher minimum requirements for specific majors or concentrations. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion

Program faculty are authorized to adopt requirements for as few as 70 upper division credits for graduation in specific majors or concentrations. In the absence of such action, students are required to complete a minimum of 90 upper division credits for graduation. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion

Although the EC recognizes the need for additional data on the applicant profile before setting specific admission criteria, in the interim, we adopt the following guiding values to inform our admission decision:

- Record of potential for academic excellence.
- Diversity to ensure that we are serving all of our region and creating a rich learning environment for our students.
- Fit with current and planned majors.

The motion was approved unanimously.

January 5, 2006

Motion

The EC endorses the "Freshman Holistic Review" and the "Guidelines for Holistic Review Scoring" with the following revisions:

- Remove "in UWB Region" as a scoring criteria, but consider as an informational item under "Contributions to Campus".
- Consider quality of high school attended under "Strength of Curriculum".
- Score GPA and Standardized Test Scores as continuous variable, with test scores scaled to a 4-point scale.
- Remove "Fit with UWB Offerings/Majors" as a scoring criteria, but consider as an informational item.

In addition, once all applications are received and scored, Dannette will present the EC with data and a recommendation for acceptance. The motion was approved unanimously.

The more information and data that can be gathered in the beginning, the better measure of student progress can be assessed over time.

January 19, 2006

Motion

The EC voted to accept the proposal to establish the Worthington Excellence in Scholarly and Creative Activities Award and the Rose Excellence in Service Award. The motion was unanimously approved.

Motion

The EC approves, on behalf of the faculty, the draft proposal for a BA in Applied Computing. The motion was unanimously approved.

February 2, 2006

Motion

The EC approves, on behalf of the faculty, the guiding principles that are outlined in the proposal "Acceptance of Freshmen, Guiding Principles" with the provision that the guiding principles be subject to an ongoing review by the EC. This motion passed unanimously.

Student Entrepreneurship Center

This center will support student efforts in creating new businesses and entrepreneurship. It is interdisciplinary and designed to serve the entire UWB campus.

Business Development Center

This center will provide business assistance to small business clients through applied student learning.

The EC is asked to provide comments and/or advice to the vice chancellor for academic affairs on the center charters, in accordance with the draft policy on establishing centers at UWB.

Motion

The EC advises that the two centers:

- Clearly delimit the funding and other resources committed to each Center.
- Clarify that academic program faculty retain control over curriculum.
- Clarify opportunities for cross-campus involvement
- Recognize that the placement of the Student Entrepreneurship Center in the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Office is temporary and conditioned on making the case that the mission of the Center cannot be accomplished using existing organizational structures.

The EC also expresses concern that the guidelines for establishing and managing centers and institutes at UWB be formalized and further developed and that the two Centers be modified in accordance with the final policy. This motion was approved unanimously.

The EC reviewed the Academic & Student Affairs Operating Procedures for the Classification of Students as First-Time Freshman.

Motion

The EC, on behalf of the faculty, approves the Academic & Student Affairs Operating Procedures for the Classification of Students as First-Time Freshman. The motion passed unanimously.

February 16, 2006

Motion

The EC appreciates the Chancellor's proposal to address faculty salary issues. The EC recommends that the Chancellor add at least \$50,000 per year to the permanent budget to address salary compression and other inequities. In addition, the EC will consult with the faculty on the principles to guide priorities for salary adjustments in accordance with the shared governance model. This motion was unanimously approved.

March 9, 2006

Motion

The EC recommends that the Interim Chancellor proceed with making salary increases on the basis of Principle 1 addressed in his letter to the EC, dated January 25, 2006.

We encourage that the term "appropriate living wage" in Principle 1 be replaced by the term "appropriate foundational salary".

We further recommend that Principle 2 be re-worded and that there be further discussion of the ranking of Principles 2 and 3.

The motion was approved unanimously.

April 21, 2006

Motion:

The EC will send the "Proposal for an Option in Community Psychology" forward to the UW Registrar for the tri-campus review. A request will be made to the IAS program for a summary of budget requirements and implications for the new option. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion:

Based on its ongoing monitoring of the profile of admitted freshmen, the EC revises the original decision rule to be used by Student Affairs in evaluating freshmen applications. The new rule shall be as follows:

If $GPA + SAT/4 \geq 6.0$, then admit, unless other compelling evidence suggests otherwise.

If $GPA + SAT/4 < 6.0$ but ≥ 5.25 , and $SAT \geq 1000$, then admit, unless other compelling evidence suggests otherwise.

If $GPA + SAT/4 < 5.25$, then deny, unless other compelling evidence suggests otherwise (same as the original decision rule.)

If $GPA + SAT/4 < 6$ but ≥ 5.25 , and $SAT < 1000$, then Student Affairs will consult with Kevin Lavery and Steve Collins on whether or not the result of the wholistic review warrants an offer of admission.

The EC, furthermore, requests from Student Affairs the following information on applicants:

1. regular printout of students admitted
2. breakout of SAT score by verbal and quantitative components

3. average GPA by high schools or other measure for understanding what an individual's GPA means

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Motion:

Based on its ongoing monitoring of the profile of admitted freshmen, the EC asks to be consulted on applicants whose SAT score is below 1000 but who otherwise meet the criteria established in the "Guidelines for Holistic Review Scoring." The EC furthermore requests from Student Affairs the following information on applicants:

1. regular printout of students admitted
2. breakout of SAT score by verbal and quantitative components
3. average GPA by high schools or other measure for understanding what an individual's GPA means

May 4, 2006

Motion

Part 1: The EC endorses the UW Bothell Revenue Forecast and Expenditure Allocation for FY 2005-06 and FY 2006-07, but with the following concerns and requests:

- a) That additions to the budget for GFO release time, GFO office and activity support, and GFO summer stipend (line items 26, 27, and 76) be moved from the "temporary" to the "permanent" category.
- b) That funding for the Teaching and Learning Center (line items 29 and 41) include only the Director's salary until the EC receives more information on this allocation.
- c) That the proposal for funding the "Center for Civic Engagement" be reworded to specify funding for "service learning".

Part 2: Regarding the budget process, the EC respectfully requests the following:

- a) That strong effort be made to increase the transparency of the budget process.
- b) That the EC be given the opportunity in a timely manner to review permanent allocations and suggest changes.
- c) That the EC be provided with sufficient details to permit monitoring of the budget for individual academic programs and the academic and nonacademic budgets, and to make informed comparisons with UW Seattle, UW Tacoma, and other institutions.

Part 3: The EC strongly supports the VCAA's request for a permanent budget allocation to address IAS under-funding in the interest of bringing the teaching load for IAS faculty into line with that of faculty in other programs. It also strongly endorses the VCAA's request for permanent funding to sustain continuing investments that address faculty salary compression and inversion, and further recommends that salaries be increased to bring them into line with salaries at peer institutions.

The motion carried unanimously.

May 19, 2006

Motion

The EC recommends that no UWB campus funding be allocated to support planning for the Center for Civic Engagement at this time.

The vote on the motion: 4 yes, 1 no and 1 abstain, the motion carries.

Motion

The EC endorses the Draft Policy for Program Planning and Approval with the following revisions:

1. On page 2, Section D.1.a., replace "administrative unit" with "the Office of Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs in consultation with the EC."
2. On page 4, Section D.4, add a new part e that reads as follows:
"Each year the VCAA will be responsible for compiling the planning parameters of the EC, Academic Council and the VCAA/Chancellor."

June 2, 2006

Motion

The EC has serious concerns about whether there is sufficient funding to support the service learning component of the Community Psychology concentration. It therefore recommends that funds be shifted from the TLC's service learning budget to IAS.

Vote: 2 – yes, 4 – no. The motion did not carry.

After further discussion another motion was called.

Motion

The EC provisionally approves the Community Psychology concentration in IAS pending a full review by the EC of the support for service learning by the end of Winter Quarter 2007.

Vote: 5 – yes, 1 – abstain. The motion carries.

Motion

The EC endorses the formation of a planning group for Summer Quarter 2006 to propose a strategy and process for long-term cross programmatic academic planning. Specifically, we encourage future planning for science, math and applied science.

Vote: the motion carries unanimously

Motion

The EC endorses the policies for English proficiency for freshmen applicants and undergraduate admissions guidelines for homeschool applicants.

Vote: the motion carries unanimously.

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Vote: 4 yes.