

GFO Executive Council Annual Report 2016 - 17

Executive Council Motions

October 4, 2016

EC motion

Mann moved to pass the motion:

The EC nominates Brent Lagesse for UWB representative to the UW Faculty Council on Tri-campus Policy.

The motion was seconded, there was no discussion. Watts called the question on motion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands, the motion carried unanimously (7-0).

EC recommendation: An EC subcommittee to draft a new version of the GFO Bylaws is recommended implementing the code cop edits to bring us into compliance with the Faculty Code. Mann, de Castro and Erdly will form a subcommittee to draft the Bylaws.

October 18, 2016

EC motion

Erdly moved to pass the motion:

"The EC endorses the School of STEM's proposal for a Graduate Certificate in Electrical Engineering Foundations.

The motion was seconded, discussion followed.

EC discussion points

- A fourth year review of the certificate in preparation for the Graduate Council review should be required.

Watts called the question on the original motion, there was no further discussion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands, the motion carried unanimously (8-0).

EC Recommendation: Faculty Representatives on University Disciplinary Committee – Casey Mann

The GFO put out a call for faculty nominations for the University Disciplinary Committee. Faculty members are appointed by the EC for a one-year term. Mann received three nominations for the Committee, Dr. Mahmoud Ghofrani, Dr. Bernard Clark Musselman and Dr. Pietro Paparella.

EC motion

Erdly moved to pass the motion:

"The EC accepts the following nominees for the University Disciplinary Committee: Dr. Mahmoud Ghofrani, Dr. Bernard Clark Musselman and Dr. Pietro Paparella.

The motion was seconded, no discussion followed.

Watts called the question on the original motion, there was no further discussion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands, the motion carried unanimously (8-0).

November 1, 2016

Memorial Resolutions: Constantin Behler, Jack Keating – Casey Mann

BE IT RESOLVED that the minutes of this meeting record the sorrow of the entire UWB faculty upon its loss by death of these friends and colleagues: Constantin Behler and Jack Keating.

November 15, 2016

EC recommendation: Ocean Engineering Option

Address the following concerns.

Budget/Resource concerns:

- Include estimates of costs for non-UWB facilities needed for the program for the next 5 years.
 - Include an explicit commitment from the Dean to subsidize those costs.
 - Include statements of support from the appropriate authorities at UWS and elsewhere who oversee the needed non-UWB facilities. The statement should say that the facilities will be available for UWB use.
 - Include an assessment of impact on faculty and students who would have to travel to Seattle and elsewhere to make use of the non-UWB facilities.
- What necessary facilities are planned for the UW4 building? Will UW4 provide all of the facilities necessary for the program?
 - If UW4 is delayed or cancelled, is there a contingency plan?
- If possible, identify necessary adjunct faculty who will be teaching in the program, or at a minimum, address the availability of a pool of such adjuncts.
 - Will coordination efforts affect the full-time faculties' work loads?
- Include a budgetary breakdown of the cost per student, cost per course section, and staff cost.
- Cost subsidies from other units come into consideration, will this option enrich the ME program or increase the program, increased student enrollment, increase classes.
- Are there enough ME majors to run this option alongside the traditional elective track?
 - Is there a pathway for students if low enrollments occur?

Curricular concerns:

- Ethics and sustainability, a stronger focus on ethical dimensions would be valuable.
- Interdisciplinarity – highlight any interdisciplinary aspects of the curriculum.
- Clarification of diversity statements:
 - Identify specific professional organizations with whom the program can be associated whose missions and resources might help increase enrollments from underrepresented populations;
 - Ensure that the program's marketing materials are designed to attract diverse applicants.

The Ocean Engineering option will return to the EC for a second reading.

January 10, 2017

EC motion

Bellamy moved to pass the motion:

“The EC endorses forwarding the School of Business' proposal for an option in Marketing to the UW Registrar for Tri-campus review.

The motion was seconded, discussion followed.

EC discussion points

- Point of information – concentrations are no longer indicated on the student's transcript.

EC recommendation: the admission to the option needs to be corrected to non-competitive status.

Watts called the question on the original motion, there was no further discussion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands, the motion carried, with recommended amendments, unanimously (9-0).

EC motion

Mann moved to pass the motion:
"The EC endorses forwarding the School of Business' proposal for an option in Supply Chain Management to the UW Registrar for Tri-campus review.

The motion was seconded, discussion followed.

EC recommendation: indicate the School's practice of supporting a case-by-case review for admission to the option and the launch location.

Watts called the question on the original motion, there was no further discussion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands, the motion carried, with recommended amendments, unanimously (9-0).

February 7, 2017

EC motion

Bellamy moved to pass the motion:
"The EC approves the GFO Bylaws as amended".

The motion was seconded, there was no further discussion.

Watts called the question on the motion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands and verbal affirmation (phone) the motion carried unanimously (8-0).

The EC discussed the timeline for the effective date of implementing the revised Bylaws, if ratified.

EC motion

Bellamy moved to pass the motion:
"The GFO ballot with the proposed Bylaws should stipulate the effective date to operationalize the newly ratified Bylaws, 2017-18", if those Bylaws are adopted.

The motion was seconded, discussion followed.

EC discussion points

- More faculty feedback is required before an EC vote can be made on the Bylaws.
- Further amendments may be recommended once faculty input is gathered.
- Until all amendments are finalized, the EC should wait for a vote.

Mann moved to table the original motion for action at the next EC meeting. The motion was seconded, there was no further discussion. Watts called the question on the motion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands and verbal affirmation (phone) the motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Watts thanked Mann and the subgroup for their work on the Bylaws.

February 21, 2017

EC motion

Erdly moved to pass the motion:

“The EC approves the GFO Bylaws as amended”.

The motion was seconded, there was no further discussion.

Watts called the question on the motion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands and verbal affirmation (phone), the motion carried unanimously (9-0).

May 2, 2017

EC motion

Bellamy moved to pass the motion:

“The EC endorses the Bylaws as reviewed to go forward to faculty vote.

Watts called the question on the original motion, there was no further discussion. Hearing no objection, she called for a vote on it. By show of hands and verbal affirmation (phone), the motion carried (7 yes, 1 abstain).