# Faculty Assembly Meeting Minutes for May 9, 2019 3:30-5:00 pm Blow Hall Board Room

- Officers Present: Jack Martin (President), Tom Ward (Vice President), Chris Abelt (Secretary) and Cathy Forestell (Faculty Representative to the Board of Visitors)
- Other Members Present: Mark Brush, Carl Friedrichs, Marji Friedrichs (19-20), Brennan Harris (19-20), Natoya Harris (19-20), Lisa Landino (19-20), Rowan Lockwood, Michael Luchs, Jennifer Mellor, Pieter Peers, Christy Porter, Sophia Serghi, Scott Swan, and Megan Tschannen-Moran
- Members Absent: David Armstrong, Lynda Butler, Jennifer Kahn, Alan Meese, John Riofrio, Molly Swetnam-Burland
- Others in Attendance: Michael Halleran (Provost), Ann Marie Stock (Vice Provost for Academic and Faculty Affairs), Terry Meyers (Parliamentarian), Mark Patterson (Ombudsperson)

### 1. Call to order

Mr. Martin called the meeting to order at 3:33 pm.

## 2. Approval of the Minutes for April 23, 2019

The minutes were approved unanimously.

# 3. Provost's Report

The BOV approved four items from the Assembly: the Faculty Retire and Return to Work policy, the Constitution and Bylaws, and the Consensual Amorous Relationships policy. The state approved a 3% across-the-board raise. The Faculty Compensation Board (link below) reported on their investigation on pay equity. Rank, years since the degree, and the field of study were highly correlated with pay, but race, ethnicity and gender were not. The Provost presented his annual faculty teaching report (link below). As a general result, tenured and tenure-eligible faculty make up 60% of all instructional faculty. Finally, the Provost reflected on his ten years of service to the College. The College has a stronger financial foundation, is more diverse and has incorporated NTEs into the culture. The Assembly presented the Provost with parting gifts including a beach towel depicting the Death of Hippolytus.

The Vice-Provost thanked members for supporting the need based scholarship in honor of the Provost. She and Jeremy Martin will be onboarding the next Provost over the summer. The process of strategic planning will commence shortly. The application cycle for the SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Awards will begin soon. The Studio for Teaching and Learning is in the process of hiring a director. The Plumeri Awards had a new rendition this year.

#### 4. Elections

The following individuals were elected sequentially and unanimously to the office, chair or committee indicated:

Vice President: David Armstrong

Secretary: Chris Abelt

Chair, COPAR: Lynda Butler Chair, Faculty Affairs: Scott Swan

Chair, Academic Affairs: Rowan Lockwood

Members of Executive Committee:

Tom Ward, President

David Armstrong, Vice President

Chris Abelt, Secretary

Cathy Forestell, BOV Rep

Sophia Serghi

Molly Swetnam-Burland

Jennifer Mellor

Josh Burk

Rowan Lockwood

Alan Meese

Scott Swan

Mark Brush

Members of COPAR:

Lynda Butler, Chair

John Riofrio

TBA Area I

Jennifer Mellor

Josh Burk

Lisa Landino

David Armstrong

Tom Ward

Michael Luchs

Marji Friedrichs

Members of Faculty Affairs:

Scott Swan, Chair

Sophia Serghi

Molly Swetnam-Burland

Brennan Harris

**Brad Weiss** 

Lisa Landino

Chris Abelt Alan Meese Natoya Haskins Marji Friedrichs

Members Academic Affairs:

Rowan Lockwood, Chair

John Riofrio

TBA Area I

Brennan Harris

**Brad Weiss** 

Lynda Butler

TBD Area III

Natoya Haskins

Michael Luchs

Mark Brush

# 5. Reports from Standing Committees

Executive Committee - Jack Martin

No report.

Liaison Committee - Tom Ward

Deb Steinberg presented to the BOV

Faculty Affairs - Scott Swan

Cathy Forestell, Megan Tschannen-Moran and Scott Swan will meet on May  $29^{th}$  to discuss the upcoming survey.

Academic Affairs - Michael Luchs

A few themes will be reported to Rowan Lockwood, the next AA Chair.

COPAR - Lynda Butler

No report.

### 6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm. Individual members thanked Jack Martin for his leadership this year.

Prepared by Chris Abelt

Hyperlink to policies/documents above:

https://www.wm.edu/sites/facultyassembly/documents/5.9.19-specified-term-faculty-report.pdf
https://www.wm.edu/sites/facultyassembly/documents/fcb-inequity-report-may2019.pdf