Academic Staff Committee

September 19th, 2013, 1:15 pm (Cofrin Library 735)

Present: Kristy Aoki, Anne Buttke, Jen Jones, Katrina Hrivnak, Emily Rogers, Mary Simonsen
Absent: None

Approved Minutes

- Approved 9/5/13 meeting minutes

Committee Updates (CWC, System Reps)

- CWC- Emily Rogers
  - Hot topic for the committee will be the compensation report.
  - Their main concern should focus on how they will capture all of the problems accurately and take action.

- UC- Kristi Aoki
  - Discussion took place on how to get more student representation on governance committees.
  - The Faculty Senate’s proposed resolution to have a faculty member appointed to the Chancellor’s Cabinet looks doubtful for this calendar year.

- Academic Staff Rep Meeting- Kristi Aoki
  - Discussion took place pertaining to the state legislative study of shared governance in the UW-System led by Rep. Vos and what this may mean for the future.
    - As a counter we, as the Academic Staff Committee, should work on preparing a draft of our support for shared governance.

New Business

- Reviewed the Academic Staff Handbook- Section 8:04
  - It was brought to our attention that Section 8:04 (Freedom from Reprisal) has language which suggests the chairperson of the Academic Staff Committee would be responsible to investigate an alleged situation and make a recommendation to the chancellor.
    - As a committee we plan to recommend minor changes to the existing language to make it more transparent and better guide the process.

- The Academic Staff Committee recommended minor by-law changes and will need to draft a vote for the Academic Staff community to provide their input. We plan to make one electronic and any other items can be put to vote at the Academic Staff Assembly.

Adjourned- 1:55 pm

Next meeting will be October 3, 2013 at 1:45 p.m. in CL735

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Simonsen