

Resident Faculty Organization

Washington State University Tri-Cities - 2710 Crimson Way - Richland, WA 99354

November 2019 General Assembly Meeting of the RFO

Location: East 212
Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2019
Time: 3-4pm

Agenda Items:

- I. Updates
 - A. Information item: Update from RFO Chair
 - B. Information item:
 - i. Quick update from Committees
 - ii. Quick update from Faculty Senate
- II. Discussion Item: Bylaws
 - A. Mission
 - B. Membership
 - i. Update names
 - ii. "administrative appointments of 25% or less of full time load"
- III. Discussion Item: Announcements, Requests and Future Agenda Items
- IV. Discussion Item: Upcoming events

II. Mission

The Mission of the RFO is fourfold: 1) to provide for formal participation and representation of the resident faculty in the conduct of the overall academic mission of WSU Tri-Cities, 2) to review, assist, and advise the Chancellor and Vice Chancellors in achieving and maintaining academic excellence, 3) to elect the WSU Tri-Cities Faculty Senator, and 4) to designate the campus Faculty Senator as an RFO Representative to the WSU Tri-Cities Academic Council.

The Mission of the RFO is accomplished through Assembly Meetings of the general membership and through the leadership of the RFO Executive Committee (RFOEC). Members of the RFOEC serve on the RFOEC and within the RFO as the representatives of their respective academic programs. Outside the organization, the RFOEC provides the representative voice of the RFO and accomplishes the purposes of RFO through participating in shared governance with the WSU Tri-Cities administration, the overall WSU administration, and the WSU Faculty Senate.

In the case of any discrepancies between the *WSU Faculty Manual* and this document, the *WSU Faculty Manual* supersedes.

IV. Membership

All Resident tenured, tenure-track, Clinical, and Instructor faculty with at least half-time appointments on the WSU Tri-Cities campus are automatically members of the RFO, unless they voluntarily choose to decline such membership in writing. Emeritus faculty are likewise automatically members of the RFO. Faculty with administrative appointments of 25% or less of full time load are also members of the RFO. All members are encouraged to participate in RFO Assemblies and/or serve as faculty representatives to the RFOEC.