RFOEC Meeting

Date: 2/23/2022

Time: Noon

Participants: RFOEC

Location: Zoom

Attending: Allan, Kevin, Kathleen, Paul, Robin, Robert, Cigdem, Messiha

Agenda Items:

I. RFO Chair Updates - Exempt
   a. State of the Campus on Wednesday, 2/23 at 3pm on Grand Staircase in TCOL/Zoom
   b. Associate Vice Chancellor for Research position open for applications: Actually has closed
      i. 15 people are qualified
      ii. Allan did not apply
      iii. We should have some role in this selection.
   c. Working towards a faculty advisory group for the access center at WSUTC, for now send feedback to Jordyn Creighton
      i. Following Pullman model.
      ii. Tri Cities decisions may be being made in Pullman, use this as a starting point to possibly get on Pullman committee.
      iii. Faculty senate agrees that faculty input should exist in accommodations process.
      iv. Current Working Model is Student Driven Process
      v. Possibly an issue of a distributive model.
   d. Upcoming RFO Events:
      i. RFO General Assembly – February 25th at 2 pm
      ii. RFO Forum with ASWSUTC – March 2nd at 11 am
      iii. RFOEC Meeting with Christine Portfors – March 9th at noon
      iv. RFO Forum with Jaime Heppler – March 22nd at 4pm
      v. RFOEC Meeting – March 23rd at 4pm

II. Update from Faculty Senate - Exempt
   a. Steve Bollens
      i. Legislative Supplemental Budget coming out today
      ii. Very thorough powerpoint from him available on the senate website.
   b. Push from Vancouver faculty for local control of teaching modality.
i. Large fissures exist among faculty on this issue.
ii. Next steps are to collect data on faculty preferences on this issue.
iii. Issue collecting data due to trust issues with the administration.
c. Faculty Affairs Committee updates to manual.
   i. Career-Track will be included in eligibility for chairs and academic director positions.

III. RFO Survey -> Not discussed due to time
   a. What is the most important issue that we want to ask about?
   b. Suggested that we also work with ASWSUTC to ask about teaching modalities

IV. Budget requests - Expedited
   a. Due March 29th to Becky Gubser
   b. Budget workshops March 1st and 7th
   c. What sort of topics should we focus on this year?
      i. Dedicated tutoring center funding.
      ii. Summer Pay
         1. Senate EC has been in discussion with provost about these.
   d. Historically have submitted:
      i. Successful: Classroom equipment replacement (22), equity pay request (22),
         computer replacement (21)
      ii. Unsuccessful: Adjunct pay raise (22), travel budget request (21), professional
         organization membership funds (21)

V. Request for New Business -> Not discussed due to time