

University of Puget Sound
Professional Standards Committee
October 24, 2012, 8:30, a.m., Wyatt 225

Members present: Kris Bartanen, Doug Cannon, Jennifer Hastings, Pat Krueger, Andreas Madlung, Doug Sackman, and Kurt Walls

In the absence of our chair, Seth Weinberger, Jennifer Hastings graciously called the meeting to order at 8:30a.m.

I. Announcements

1620 Bank Street opens Friday October 24th and closes November 3rd.
Email kwalls to arrange for tickets.

II. Approval of minutes of 10-17-12

Minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Faculty Senate Charge

Discussion continued from last week on Faculty Senate charge #1 – Clarify (a) expectations for junior faculty participation in evaluations of departmental colleagues, and (b) if written recommendation is required of junior faculty in a change of status review (promotion, tenure).

Regarding departmental colleague's participation in evaluations, the committee members in the room interpreted the Faculty Code as written in different ways. There was a consensus on the avenues for clarification –

1. Amending the Faculty Code
2. A formal interpretation of the Faculty Code
3. An clarifying explanation added to the "Buff Document"

All three options were discussed which led to a general consensus that an interpretation might be the best path and Professor Cannon volunteered to create a first draft that can be reviewed and discussed by the committee at their next meeting.

IV. Future Committee Business

1. Review the latest revision of the Research Misconduct document
2. Review Consensual Sexual Relationship policy
3. Review School of Education fieldwork evaluation form
4. Teaching Assistant Guidelines
5. Possible joint meeting with the Faculty Advancement Committee

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15am.

Respectfully submitted,
Kurt Walls