

## Faculty Senate President Report

July 12, 2016

**1. Senate Committees Charge, Chair and Member duties:** Last year the executive committee asked all Faculty Senate committees to provide information about the role of the committee and what members usually do. That information is now posted on the Faculty Senate website under the Committees link.

**2. Academic Affairs Meeting:** I attended the July 7 Academic Affairs meeting. Each department or service reports about what is happening in their world. I was last to report being new to attending this meeting. I learned that almost all academic service areas on campus are either short staffed for a variety of reasons or need more room to operate. That made me think we all should keep that in mind when working with offices that support students here on campus.

**3. New Faculty Orientation Meeting:** I attended a meeting about new faculty orientation. Robert Monge will be creating some tutorials designed to help new faculty become acclimated to the resources available and processes we use at WOU.

**4. WOU Foundations Board:** The WOU Foundation needs a new Faculty Senate representative on the board. There are four meetings per year on a Saturday morning. The meetings for 2016-17 are October 1, December 3, March 4 and June 3. Contact me and Tommy Love at WOU Foundations if you are interested.

**5. Emeritus Status Guidelines:** President Fuller and Provost Scheck requested that Faculty Senate start a dialog to provide guidance on criteria and process for nominating and reviewing candidates for emeritus designation. Currently what we have for guidelines is on page 11 of the faculty handbook. The FS Executive Committee discussed this request and decided that we will ask the Academic Requirements Committee to review and bring a proposal back to FS during 2016-17.

*Faculty handbook page 11*

*Professor Emeritus--upon retirement, this rank may be granted to a member of the faculty after ten or more years of distinguished service to the University. A Professor Emeritus is so designated and appointed by the President upon the recommendation of the appropriate divisional personnel review committee, the appropriate dean and the provost. Professors Emeriti are accorded the privileges of regular, ranked faculty and will have their names recorded at this rank in University publications during the remainder of their lifetimes. No compensation accrues by virtue of this rank unless the individual is offered a temporary contract to teach or fulfill other duties. A free yearly parking permit, season athletic passes, library privileges, and access to athletic exercise facilities are available to emeritus faculty. When possible, office space is afforded emeritus faculty.*