Called to order by Senate President Molly Ware at 4:01 pm. Minutes of 8 February 2016 were approved as written.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senate President Ware: Reported on the statement and demands presented by students identifying as the Student Assembly for Power and Liberation at the Board of Trustees meeting of February 12th.

President Bruce Shepard: Reported that the Board of Trustees will meet with the Associated Students to ensure representative involvement of shared governance bodies before engaging with the group of students that presented its statement on February 12th. President Shepard acknowledged that there is a continuing need for campus climate improvements and reported on an ongoing investigation by the Equal Opportunity Office (EOO).

UFWW President Chuck Lambert: Commented on the impact Justice Antonin Scalia’s passing may have upon unions through the *Friedrichs vs California Teachers Association* Supreme Court Case, and reported that UFWW is continuing its membership drive.

Zachary Dove, ASVP for Academic Affairs: (1) The Associated Students Board will meet with the Board of Trustees on March 3rd at 5 pm (location TBD) to discuss concerns around shared governance. The AS Board invites all students and faculty involved in governance to attend; (2) Dove invites faculty to attend a forum on Tuesday, February 23rd from 6 to 8 pm in Fraser 102 regarding possible relocation of the Ethnic Student Center; (3) Students will meet on Monday, February 29th from 5 to 6:30 pm in VU 462 to discuss classroom climate and disseminate information on classroom climate initiatives.

DISCUSSION ITEM

General Education Task Force Process for Seeking Feedback from the Campus: Angela Harwood, General Education Task Force Co-Chair, and Steve VanderStaay, Vice Provost of Undergraduate Education, joined the Faculty Senate to provide an overview of and answer questions about the work of the General Education Task Force. Senators reviewed and provided feedback on a document laying out a draft process for engaging the campus community in spring quarter dialogue on the Task Force’s three general education proposals.

ACTION ITEM

eDossier Next Steps: President Ware presented a memo from the Office of the Provost, UFWW leadership and Faculty Senate leadership on the conclusion of the eDossier pilot project and expected next steps. A motion to accept the eDossier Continuation Memo (forwarded by Molly Ware and seconded) with the addition of a bullet stipulating the creation of a work team to pursue alternatives to SharePoint and a timeline for completion of this work passed with amendments (forwarded by Kristen Larson and seconded) eliminating the proposed work team bullet. The language of the amended motion is as follows:

I move that we adopt the eDossier Continuation Memo and affirm Western’s commitment to eDossiers, with the understanding that SharePoint is not ideal, and ask that the Senate continue to ensure this issue is addressed in 2016-17 and future years.

REVIEW OF STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Senators voted unanimously in favor of a motion (forwarded by Amanda Eurich and seconded) to approve University Planning and Resources Council (UPRC) minutes of 13 January 2016; Senate Extended Education Committee (SEEC) minutes of 26 January 2016; Academic Technology Committee (ATC) minutes of 28 January 2016 and 11 February 2016; and Academic Coordinating Commission (ACC) minutes of 2 February 2016.

CONSTITUENT CONCERNS

Stapling of Course Evaluations: A Senator requested that the Registrar’s Office discontinue the practice of stapling course evaluations, as the staples must be removed before documents can be scanned for inclusion in eDossiers.

Senators adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Prepared by Kylee Swift, 23 February 2016

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