University of Puget Sound PSC Committee

Minutes for Monday, April 23 2018

Present: David Andresen, Denise Despres, Fred Hamel, Suzanne Holland, Amanda Mifflin, Andreas Madlung, Renee Houston

The meeting convened at 16:05.

The sole purpose of the meeting was to discuss and formulate a motion to be brought to the full faculty meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup>. The following wording was suggested for discussion:

"We move that the faculty senate create an ad-hoc committee for the purpose of remedying the problem of bias in student evaluations and recommending a long term solution or change to our current system."

The committee discussed the pros and cons for adding more specific language to the motion, for example with respect to specifying who should be on the committee (such as members of the PSC, recent members of the FAC, students, members of the Committee on Diversity, members of the Faculty Senate etc.) and by when the committee should conclude its work.

The PSC debated at length the pros and cons of student membership on this committee or alternative forms of student representation and the merits of a short and concise motion versus a more specific one.

The committee agreed that the final version of the motion should be:

The members of the 2017-18 Professional Standards Committee move that the Faculty Senate create an *ad hoc* committee for the purposes of

- 1) remedying the problem of bias in student evaluations, and
- 2) recommending a long term solution or change to our current system.

The meeting ended at 17:00.

Minutes submitted by Andreas Madlung