## **Governance Council** Meeting of October 29, 2008 Paterson Room, WPU Library

Present: Donna Potacco, Alejandro Anreus, Bill Duffy, Maureen Martin, Cesar Perez, Madeleine Rosar, Melda Yildiz.

Meeting called to order 11:00am Agenda approved.

Minutes of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 approved as amended.

Donna welcomed new members Maureen Martin and Alejandro Anreus.

Dr. Martin Hahn has been nominated for Emeritus status. Discussion on his contributions. Minor typos corrected. The department will need to provide the number of ayes, nays and abstentions—not just that the motion passed. Motion to endorse the nomination: Approved (7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions).

Dr. Rosanne Martorella has been nominated for Emerita status. Brief discussion. Minor typos corrected. The department will need to provide the number of ayes, nays and abstentions—not just that the motion passed. Motion to endorse the nomination: Approved (6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention).

Discussion of a proposal to change 10-month pay schedules to 12-month pay schedules. Agreed that this was not an appropriate topic for the Governance Council to pursue. The proposal should go to the Union.

Bill reported on possible problem that has been raised of two people from the same department serving on the Election Council. We will look into what the constitution says, and Bill will seek clarification from Sue Godar.

Donna reported that our charge relating to the Research Council is being discussed within that Council. We will address this charge if/when, our services are warranted.

Melda provided information relating to faculty representation on the Board of Trustees. A discussion of the benefits of having such representation followed. Melda will draft a resolution.

The Council agreed to discuss the Academic Plan resolution, Board of Trustees resolution, and technology resolution at our next meeting.

Next meeting will be Mon Nov. 24th at 11:00am in the Paterson Room

Meeting adjourned 12:15 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Maureen Martin