## Annual Report University of Oregon Faculty Advisory Council, 2005-2006

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In 2005-2006, the FAC met regularly (Mondays from 11-1 and supplemental meetings as needed) to provide the President, Provost, and Vice President for Academic Affairs with faculty opinion and council on a wide range of University affairs. The bulk of our time was focused on issues that would be widely regarded as amongst the most pressing concerns facing this campus, the two highest profile topics being the Diversity Plan and the Provost search. In addition to devoting several meetings to the Diversity Plan, its process, and diversity related matters, the FAC also prepared detailed editorial suggestions on an intermediate version of the Plan as well as participated in various public forum events. In regards to the Provost search, the FAC participated in interviews with each of the three finalists, provided written feedback regarding our individual assessments, and openly discussed our opinions in full session meetings. Other topics discussed in FAC meetings included Department of Defense funded research, internal resource allocation models, the proposed (now pending) Westmoreland sale, faculty pay concerns, proposed changes to campus security/law enforcement, UO accreditation review, plans for an expanded UO presence in the Portland area, UO East Asia initiative, proposed changes to the UO Employee Assistance Program, the revised Student Code of Conduct, UO disaster preparedness, and the Capital Campaign/allocation of endowed chairs and professorships.

The agenda outlined above was driven in part by our central administration and in part by our faculty. In keeping with its mission as an advisory council, the FAC consistently sought to provide our central administration with the unvarnished diversity of perspectives necessary to characterize the landscape of campus opinion and facilitate effective decision-making. We trust that this tradition will continue even as the University undergoes substantial changes in its leadership.

Van Kolpin, Chair University of Oregon Faculty Advisory Council, 2005-2006 May 31, 2006