Charge & Objectives, Joint Committee on Faculty Evaluation:

The officers of the WOU Federation of Teachers and the Faculty Senate recognize that course and instructor evaluations are a contractual matter best examined by a representative committee of faculty union members. The Joint Committee on Faculty Evaluation (ad hoc) will disseminate its findings first to the faculty senate and its divisional units for input, then to the WOUFT executive committee in order to inform future negotiations of contract language regarding evaluations.  The proposed goals and objectives of this committee include the following:

1. To investigate the feasibility of offering more frequent and less costly evaluations that will continue to serve the diverse needs of academic units across campus;
2. To ensure the reliability and validity of any new evaluation instrument through sufficient testing, including at other universities; and
3. To propose a continuity plan for faculty and an implementation plan for students to ensure evaluation standards remain consistent during the transition to any new evaluation instrument, if adopted.