

Academic Staff Council Meeting
UW-Extension
432 N. Lake St., Room 523
Madison, WI 53706

April 15, 2009, 9:00 – 11:30AM

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Maguire, Ja'Tawn Campbell Pinson, Tom Culviner, Allisanne Apple, Lisa Nielsen Agnew, Lynne Blinkenberg, Beverly Philips and Jerry Clark.

GUESTS: Chancellor David Wilson, Christine Quinn and Ray Schultz

- I. Michael Maguire opened the meeting and met open record meeting rules.
- II. Minutes had slight edits of addition of Lisa Nielson's last name Agnew be added and correction of committee members – delete Ja'Tawn Campbell – check for Bev's name.
- III. Chancellor's report: State Capitol: Chancellor has met with all members of the Joint Finance Committee and the leadership in both the Assembly and Senate taking with him our Annual Report. Testified before Sen. Lassa's sub-committee on the economic impact of Extension jobs across the state, mentioning the Economic Development Portal and the Adult Student Initiative. Participated in a panel created by Rep. Hixon that addressed the impact of UW System overall. Conferences: Participated in two presentations at national conferences. Attended UCEA with Quinn and Schejbal w/a presentation re: prospectus on the mission of outreach. Also will do a presentation at Higher Learning Commission on administrative integration process. Budget: There is a handout from Michael Maguire. Will have some layoffs and hope that they can be recalled. Looking to bridge to the next budget cycle. Could not totally deplete our carry forward, but instead tap it just enough – provided some bridge funding for the Basin Educator project keeping it on for 2 more years. Also looked at DEED division plan they offered. A critical function that could not be carried out – and it was determined the division would be harmed if there were not a way to save this function. Wilson has pretty much accepted all recommendations. Provost's Report: Article 5, Appendix I B and II B are on their way to System. They relate to tenure recommendations and scholarship. Meetings: Has had several visits, meetings and tours across the state and they are always informational, enlightening and rewarding. Addressed the JCEP conference in Madison recently. WisLine regarding organizational changes in the VC office. Christine has agreed to look at the language in the PD and later, with discussion from Nack and Apple, identified next steps which include creating a small group to work on the adjustments to the PD on a short timeline. Budget Process: Allowed folks to stretch and learn - defined a process and then implemented it in each division. Meetings: Went to UWSP recently and met w/Provost Nook, Continuing Ed and SBDC folks on that campus. Also visited the Milwaukee and Parkside SBDC facilities. Attended the JCEP conference in Madison.

- IV. Chair's Report: Facilitator of Diversity Dialogue is Ja'Tawn Campbell Pinson. Budget Reshaping: Handout is a distilled account of reams of data. It is meant to be a capture of that process.
- V. System Academic Staff Rep Report: Tom Culviner sent it out to the group. Comments – no – UWS-UPG 3 is coming back. Allisanne is asking again for a multi-year contract (rolling horizon much the same). Wilson has made a decision on this and will report on it at the next meeting. Maguire – in reading Tom's report UPG 3.05 so multi-year contracts become a campus issue rather than System issue. Group feels system should do this rather than campuses doing it. Maguire asked if there were any case studies from the other campuses? Tom – nobody has reported on one campus doing it vs. another. No rationale given? No. – Stevens Point Provost complies and the Reps want to get approval to not comply.
- VI. Draft Schedules for 2009-2010: This draft is set up to have 5 joint UC and ASC meetings and 5 separate. A pre-meeting will plan each of the agendas. UC reported they liked the single co-located meeting in March. The Sept. meeting they wanted to have a separate time for the UC to meet – 11:30 – 1:00 prior to the joint meeting. Apple: moved to adopt the single co-located model in March etc. and Ja'Tawn seconded. Any discussion? No. Vote: Ayes have it and the motion carried.
- VII. Follow-up discussion on collective bargaining and/or shared governance- got an update email from Potter that the bill is making its way through the Legislature. The Hanson language of more flexibility to bargain will be added in. Nack has shared that is could be a scenario that some collective bargaining models may not have impact on governance.
- VIII. Committee Reports:
Communications: No report.
Nominations: Allisanne (the default chair) the close for nominations is this Friday. Ray – four positions w/terms expiring – Allisanne, Ja'Tawn, Tom and Lynne. Ray has received 3 nominations – from Lynne, Tom and Ja'Tawn. One position remains open. If we don't get a nomination from this area Ray may reach out and ask for nominations. Maguire – interested in remaining on the Council, but not interested in Chairing the Counsel.
Hearings committee: – Ray: due to resignations there are only 2 members continuing and there are supposed to be 7. Ray has received 1 nomination – but the close is not until May 15th. Ray encourages everyone to reach out in your area for folks to join this committee
Awards: Contemplating changing this process. 1 – change the date of the call for nominations because of so many others in the spring. 2 – Contemplating either continuing the call or just using the people who have applied for the Regents award to be the recipients. ACTION*** The Nominations Committee will bring a plan to this Counsel regarding the Academic Staff Council awards.

Distinguished Prefix – Bev – two applications for Distinguished Prefix – great group reviewed them and have made decision. Wilson will receive the nominations soon – has happened.

Title Review: The sub-committee would like ASC to review some language changes in the UPG. Michael will work w/Darlene Kramer on some of the rational behind some of these changes. The CASI (a coop group) group has a longer history, has done more in depth work and has a greater sense of the vocabulary of the UPGs. Put your divisional hat on as you review these and ask how these might work in your division. ACTION *** Review the UPGs related to title review by the MAY meeting. Jerry – CASI will meet again in mid-June – so any feedback or input they can take to that meeting is will be good and important.

- IX. UWS 11: Bev had a recent copy and handed it out. This regards a relatively new UW System and State of WI Administrative Code change which introduces new language regarding the language on how employees would be dealt with. Disciplinary procedures are the topic of this UWS. Allisanne moved to adopt the resolution w/Option 2 and Lynne seconded the motions. Ray pointed out an edit. Discussion? None. Vote – Ayes have it. Motion carried.
- X. Discussion of and possible action concerning the reorganization of the Office of the Vice Chancellor and Provost: Quinn: Reviewed WisLine which concluded w/ agreement to work with a small group to wordsmith the PD, and the possible name change of the title. The recruitment will be put on hold. Discussed this at UC yesterday and they passed a resolution which will be shared and agreed that Chris Kniep and Greg Blonde will work on the small workgroup as well as Tom Evans. Needs one person from this group. Lisa Nielson Agnew offered. Wilson – we are not in any way retracting the level of support that the institution is providing for governance. Cannot be clearer on this issue. Asked if this group wanted to draft a resolution – Tom Culviner responded maybe next time. Quinn: The committee’s work will be shared with this body,
- XI Bev Phillip’s presentation: She will give her presentation in May.
- XII Adjourn: Bev Phillips moved to adjourn. Lynne Blinkenberg seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:24.

Minutes compiled by Molly Delaney