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Academic Staff Council Meeting  
UW-Extension  
432 N. Lake Street, Room 532  
Madison, WI

July 9, 2008  
9:00am – 11:30am

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Chancellor David Wilson, Secretary Ray Schultz, Michael, Maguire, Allisanne Apple, Tom Culviner, Lisa Nielsen Agnes, Lynne Blinkenberg, Ja'tawn Campbell-Jinson and Beverly Phillips.

COUNCIL MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND: Jerry Clark

STAFF: Molly Delaney

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Ray Schultz called the meeting to order.
- II. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Beverly Phillip, Lisa Nielson Agnew and Jerry Clark are the new members to the Council.
- III. DISCUSSION OF ROLE & RESPONSIBILITIES OF ACADEMIC STAFF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Ray Schultz gave presentation. Chapter 36 of the Wisconsin State Statutes describes the rights and responsibilities of academic staff and shared governance. One of the biggest is communication. Talk to your constituency. Take advantage of being on the agenda at relevant meetings. Chancellor Wilson: “this council is the lynchpin between what decisions are made in the chancellor’s office and what is on the minds of academic staff and faculty throughout this institution.” Ray offered an orientation handbook to everyone and reviewed the materials inside. He also offered a summary sheet of issues that developed in the past year and how the Council engaged with them.
- IV. ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS: Officers are chosen at the first meeting of the new year – which is this meeting. A Chair and Vice Chair were elected. Results: Michael Maguire re-elected Chair and Allisanne Apple elected Vice Chair.
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 18, 2008: Approval of the June meeting minutes was postponed until the August meeting.
- VI. PROVOST/VICE CHANCELLOR REPORT: Interim Provost/Vice Chancellor Robin Shepard could not attend. Chancellor Wilson was in attendance and gave this update: Interim Chancellor named at UW-Parkside. Pres. Reilly will name a commission on compensation and competitiveness. It will be made up of business leaders, faculty/staff, legislators and some students. They will provide a report in January or February. Hope is the “voices of business sector members” will prove the importance of competitive wages. Chancellor is making a decision for the Provost/Vice Chancellor position. The budget repair bill figure was released from DOA and we will have a \$25 million lapse. The Chancellor is in discussions to determine how that lapse will be funded.
- VII. CHAIR’S REPORT: This group is slated to meet monthly and there may be an extra sub-committee meeting per month. One-half of these extra meetings are usually teleconference. Will meet w/the University Committee in August. ACTION: David Prucha should be invited to the August meeting as a follow up to the June meeting discussion about “job security” “rules” and “uses” in Extension. Michael will follow up on this. Michael is planning on some site visits with academic staff around the state in the upcoming year.

- VIII. SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES FROM 2008-2008: Included in Section III – Roles and Responsibilities portion of the minutes.
- IX. PROMOTIONS WITHOUT A SEARCH AND SCREEN PROCESS (CEOEL issue): Tom Culviner brought an issue to the Council for discussion. Discussion followed. ACTION: The Council asked Tom to gather more detailed and specific information for future discussion. It will be on the August meeting agenda.
- X. COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS:
- UWS Academic Staff Representatives Council Report: Tom Culinver – No report due to no meetings of late.
  - Distinguished Prefix: John Fischer did this.
  - Communications: Michael Maguire
  - Nominations: Lynne Blinkenberg was nominated.
  - Title Review Committee: was headed by Darlene Kramer and she is interested in continuing.
  - Academic Staff Council Representatives (or Designees) to divisional title review committees. ACTION: Everybody go to their HR person and find out who is on the Title Review Committee. There should be two for Coop (Category A and Category B), one for BAMI and one for Continuing Ed.
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- XI. PROACTIVE DISCUSSION OF INSTITUTIONAL ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES APPROPRIATE FOR ACADEMIC STAFF GOVERNANCE (COUNCIL). This is a standing invitation to discuss anything of pertinence to governance. Nothing brought up in this portion of the meeting can have a vote.
- XII. ADJOURN: Allisanne Apple moved to adjourn. Tom Culviner seconds the motion. The meeting adjourned at 11:26am