

Faculty Senate  
Pyle Center, Room 313  
702 Langdon St.  
Madison, WI 53706  
9 June 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Nack, Barb Haynes, Jane Jensen, Art Lersch, Catherine Neiswender, Rene Mehlberg, Chris Kniep, Michael Childers, Kathy Hetzel, Matt Hanson, Kathleen Haas, Tom Evans, Mahlon Peterson, Barbara Barker, Chuck Prissel, Michael Ballweg, Greg Blonde,

- I. Call to Order and meet open compliance orders. David Nack
- II. Approval of March 10<sup>th</sup> minutes. Art Lersch moved to approve Barbara Barker seconded. Minutes approved.
- III. Chancellor Wilson Report:
  - BUDGET: Everything that the Chancellor has updated us on regarding the budget is still in place and it will be Extension's give back over the next two years. The 2% give back from classified employees has not been completed resolved. If the unions do not reopen these negotiations, there will be approx. 400 employees laid off. We also could be looking at a reduction in our base budget of \$250,000 to make up for the non-reopening of the union contracts. This is not a lapse – but a base reduction.
  - FURLOUGHS: Nothing definitive to report. An email of FAQs has been distributed. Greg Blonde moved that Faculty Senate support Rep. Royce's Smart Furloughs amendment. Matt Hanson seconded the motion. Nack asked for further discussion on this motion – Motion passed. The Chancellor sent the motion to Rosemary Potter, who was at the legislature.
- IV. Provost / Vice Chancellor Quinn Report:
  - Recognition of those who have served in governance at Extension. David Nack, David Hart, Katy Forysthe, Kathy Hetzel, Michael Childress, Art Lersch, Mahlon Peterson.
  - UW Online – joint venture between UW Colleges and CEOEL to become a portal for online study and program options.
  - David and Christine visited the Superior and Eau Claire SBDCs
  - UW Extension hosting UW Provost annual meeting at CATI, an SBDC facility connected w/Parkside.
- V. Chair Report:
  - Election of University Committee Chair and Vice Chair – Chris Kniep and Chuck Prissel.
  - Reorganization of Vice Chancellor's office and recruitment for Sec Fac and AVC.

- Budget Crisis – UC passed a resolution regarding the loss of the 2% raise that has been taken off the table. UC also adopted resolution regarding Domestic Partner benefits.
  - Thank you to Ray Schultz and recognition for his work as Sec Fac.
- VI. System Faculty Reps Council Report: Rene Mehlberg – follow-up to earlier discussion – some campuses on Chapter 36 Pay plan and furloughs – reiterates Kniep’s comments that Chancellor Wilson has kept us informed. There are a number of resolutions from several campuses
- VII. Article 4 Implementation Schedule - Article 4 was amended by Faculty Senate in 08. Provost sent it to System legal for review, follow-up questions answered by UC. Chancellor and Provost will make final review.
- VIII. UWS 7 Implementation Process: Nack – reluctant to change our rules because we did not agree w/BOR changes to UWS 7 (re: discipline). System legal said they did not want us to do that. We have decided to put a link in our regulations that takes you to the UW System regs. System legal indicated that we can imbed the link in our regs.
- IX. Report and Discussion: Faculty Tenure Orientation Workshops Planning Group: July 9<sup>th</sup> and September 24 are the next meeting dates. Good responses to the help needed.
- X. Report & Discussion: Tenure Scholarship and Reflection Forum Planning Group: Forum has been postponed. Had 16 registered and it conflicted w/ a big Coop district meeting. Perhaps it can be rescheduled in the Fall. November 18 – Central and Eastern Districts are hosting a one day forum on Scholarship = either in Appleton or Neenah.
- XI. Discussion and Possible Action Concerning:
- Resolution from the University Committee on Domestic Partner Benefits. The University Committee did pass a resolution. Nack believes it is important for the whole Faculty Senate to adopt this or a similar resolution. Tom Evans moved that it be introduced to the Senate for discussion. Michael Childers seconded the motion. Evans recommended the words “Faculty Senate” be switched out for the University Committee. Motion passes.
  - Resolution from the University Committee on the Governor’s recommendation for removing the 2% pay increase scheduled for June 1<sup>st</sup> 2009. and Furlough days for 2009-11. Motion from Michel Childers for President Reilly to approach the Governor and the Legislature that the Recruitment and Retention funds to be redirected across the board to be realized by all UW System employees. Motion failed to carry.
  - Collective Bargaining Discussion: ACTION \*\*\* Catherine Neiswender requested that this topic appear on the next meeting agenda for this group. ACTION \*\*\* Greg Blonde asked if there are other states that have Extension – with collective bargaining and tenure. If so, perhaps a webinar or seminar in the future and have those folks come here and discuss on how all of this works. As the new Faculty Senate convenes –

review this and the pamphlet of Chapter 36 – what is the true role of the Senate?

XII. Proactive Discussion of Institutional Issues and Opportunities appropriate

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn from Neiswender Seconded by: Greg  
Blonde The meeting adjourned at : 4:10pm