

University Committee  
Pyle Center, Room 320  
702 Langdon St.  
Madison, WI 53706

Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 11:30am to 1:00pm

PRESENT: Chris Kniep, Corliss Olson, Tom Evans, Chuck Prissel, Greg Blonde and Kathleen Haas, Greg Hutchins and Christine Quinn.

- I. Call to Order and certify open meeting requirements: Chris Kniep opened the meeting and certified as meeting open meetings requirements.
- II. Approval of August 11, 2009 minutes: With edit of word “emailed” in Section 8 – Prissel moved and Evans seconded that the minutes be approved. Motion passed and the minutes were approved. *ACTION \*\*\* Draft minutes will be posted on the website prior to approval so Committee members and others can access the information for meeting updates.*
- III. Chair Report: Budget Developments– Quinn reconvened the budget work group to determine what to do w/budget dollars that have been returned to the system. The dollars will be returned to the divisions proportionally. Proposals are to be flexible.
- IV. Committee Assignment Reports:
  - Systemwide Extension Council – Tom Evans – first meeting on 9/9 in La Crosse.
  - Academic Leadership Standing Committee – Chuck Prissel – first meeting is 10/16. Will meet 3 times instead as 4 in effort to demonstrate Furlough Impact.
  - Faculty Reps Council – Chris Kniep – first meeting is Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Furlough Committee – Kathleen Haas is a member of the committee Provost Quinn has established to document the impact of the furloughs. The committee has met twice. First meeting – group decided to look at it in terms of impact to the institutions, communities and individuals. Second meeting – group discussed how do we measure this – using the same framework of Institutions, community and individuals. Quinn shared concern that group thinks the time is being absorbed by faculty and staff with limited impact on the community and individuals. Target audience and timing for impact were discussed. Strategies identified included: measure the amount of time it required to figure this all out; document the bottom end pay scale employees loss of pay – what that impact was; determine 3% loss of program and services across the entire state economy.  
  
*ACTION \*\*\* Quinn asked if folks see of any opportunities to measure these impacts, please pass them along.*
- V. Review Academic Staff / Faculty Senate Agenda: Olson will be presenting information on the legislation that passed regarding collective bargaining. Kniep noted we must be careful of how we provide information and discuss this issue focusing on informing faculty/academic staff vs. advocating for a position. Olson will offer no opinions. It was agreed that it is a responsibility of governance to understand and explain legislation which affects the whole UW-System. Discussion followed on if it is the purview of shared governance to provide this information.
- VI. Scholarship Efforts: Ongoing concern and will be looked at through some planned events. Sixty-six are registered for the Sept. tenure workshop.
- VII. Governance group member orientation – discussion: Not addressed in this meeting.
- VIII. Proactive Discussion of Institutional Issues and Opportunities Appropriate for Governance. Not discussed in this meeting.
- IX. Adjourn: Adjourned at 1:02pm.