

Approved 8-9-06

University Committee Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2006
523 Extension Building – 432 N. Lake Street
Madison, WI

1. Call to Order/Certification of Open Meeting Notice Compliance

Chair Rob Burke called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. and certified compliance with the Open Meetings Law. University Committee members in attendance: Rob Burke, Tom Hooyer, Karen Nelson, Mary Gruenewald, David Nack, and Mark Kopecky (phone). Others: Marv Van Kekerix, Ray Schultz, and Kate Wodyn.

2. Approval of Minutes of June 13, 2006 Meeting

Burke, hearing no comments on minutes, motioned to approve.

3. Chancellor/Vice Chancellor Report

Vice Chancellor Kekerix explained that Chancellor Wilson is attending Farm Technology Days. Van Kekerix provided an update on the Administrative Integration Steering Committee (AISC). That group had been inactive for a period of time, but is now being reconstituted. Members include David Wilson, Margaret Cleek, Marv Van Kekerix, Arlen Leholm, Andy Keogh, Steve Wildeck, Dick Cleek, and representatives from governance groups, formerly Holly Breitreutz and Mary Jane Ederer, and their Colleges counterpart, Doug Hosler. David Wilson has charged Marv Van Kekerix and Margaret Cleek to look more closely at programmatic collaborations between the two institutions. Subcommittees on Administrative Services and Human Resources are also moving ahead and eventually these areas will have one director. David Wilson is comfortable with the two provost model for a while. A number of office moves have taken place; senior academic affairs staff of both institutions are located on the 4th floor of the Extension building. Other changes to anticipate are changing the signage and the name of the Extension building.

Van Kekerix next addressed the issue of David Wilson's attendance at governance meetings. Since his schedule does not allow him to attend all the meetings, he has proposed attending two faculty senate meetings a year. (Van Kekerix, as chief academic officer, intends to attend all of them). Burke felt this proposal was reasonable and other members felt similarly. They expressed the importance of flexibility in having the Chancellor accessible on important issues. Gruenewald commented on the May 1 Transition Team Report and the "two institutions, one mission" vision.

4. Chair Remarks

Rob Burke mentioned this promises to be an exciting year for Extension and Colleges and is confident that everyone will work hard.

5. Elect Vice Chair for 2006-07

Gruenewald commented that it might be helpful to look at the body of work for the coming year and match skills and expertise to the committees. The Administrative Integration Steering Committee involves monthly meetings and basically serves as a conduit for information. The University Committee also has a representative on the Systemwide Extension Council; this group meets quarterly the day after Faculty Senate. The System Faculty Reps meet monthly; that group has one representative from each UW institution. **Nominations: Mary Gruenewald for Systemwide Extension Council; Karen Nelson for UW System Faculty Reps; Tom Hooyer for University Committee Vice Chair; Rob Burke for Administrative Integration Steering Committee.** Gruenewald made motion to accept unanimous slate of nominees/Kopecky seconded; motion carried.

6. Appoint representative to Systemwide Extension Council

(see #5)

7. **Ad Hoc Committee Discussions**

UWS 7: Neill DeClercq, Mark Kopecky, Judy Knudsen and Tom Hooyer have volunteered. Academic Staff Council (ASC) is forming a similar ad hoc committee. Tom Hooyer expressed that at some point they will have a joint teleconference with the ASC committee. The Regents have scheduled a public hearing on this on August 2.

Scholarship committee renewal: There was discussion about the original intent and audience (county stakeholders) for this document—basical to “articulate your value to your employer”. Gruenewald also mentioned the other roles that faculty take on besides educator (facilitator, planner, researcher, evaluator) that should be articulated in this document – the community capacity-building that she feels is what we’re about. Van Kekerix suggested using this document as a springboard to discussions in settings such as JCEP and department head meetings. Gruenewald suggested that this be an agenda item on the September Faculty Senate for larger discussion and forming a committee. Schultz suggested having current committee members work on expanding/enhancing the draft for presentation at the September meeting to give Senators something to react to.

Other continuing/new committees for 2006-07: No other committees at this time

8. **Library Access for Faculty**

Ray Schultz reported that county-based faculty and staff will be getting full electronic access to all library resources of UW-Madison (full database and search engine access). Steenbock Library will assist in teaching staff how to use these electronic resources. A separate issue is physical access. Schultz is pursuing this also, which involves having a photo ID. This is in the discussion phase and hopefully will be resolved in the not-too-distant future.

9. **Discussion of institutional issues and opportunities for faculty governance**

The issue of exploring combined governance with the Colleges was discussed. In response to a question as to why is it important that we do this, Van Kekerix responded that if we go to being a merged institution it is reasonable to have one set of policies. We need a sense of where we want to go. Rob Burke will be meeting with Doug Hosler (UW Colleges Senate Steering Committee chair) on July 21 to start getting acquainted with UW Colleges governance. This will be a very complicated process. Rob will report back on his visit at the next meeting.

Another item brought up at the June Senate meeting was concern over identity theft resulting from electronic distribution of earnings statement. This will be on the agenda for the September meeting; David Prucha will attend that meeting. However, this may no longer be an issue because of information coming out before then.

10. **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Nelson/Kopecky; carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:29.

Recorded by Wodyn, 7-11-06.