

University Committee Meeting
Tuesday, December 8, 2009
11:30am-1pm
Via WisLine

Present via WisLine:

Chris Kniep, Chuck Prissel, Greg Blonde, Kathleen Haas, Corliss Olson, Tom Evans, Greg Hutchins, Judy Ballweg

1. Meeting called to order at 11:45am by Chris Kniep and certified the open meeting requirements.
2. Approval of minutes of the November 10 meeting.
Chuck Prissel moved to approve, Corliss Olson seconded, minutes approved
3. Chancellor Report
 - This report will be given at the Faculty Senate meeting, today beginning at 1pm.
4. Chair Report – Chris Kniep
Things to do:
 - Department documents need revising to reflect changes to the Appendices.
 - FTAC and SRP orientation is needed. Department members need a better understanding of Appendix I.B and II.B as well as Appendix I.C and II.C.
 - Cooperative Extension Department meetings will be held on the last day of JCEP, April 6-8, 2010 in Green Bay. Need to find a way to transition from JCEP to Department meetings. Greg Hutchins is not available to assist. He's attending the BOR meeting.
 - Need to find a way for University Committee representation to be part of the process of searching/recruiting a new Chancellor.

5. Committee Assignment Reports

Systemwide Extension Council – Tom Evans

- This group last met in September and a report was given in October.
- Next meeting is December 9 in Madison. This meeting was cancelled due to a winter snow storm. The agenda looked excellent focusing on marketing/communicating Extension. Looking into rescheduling or carrying agenda items forward to the March meeting.

Academic Leadership Standing Committee – Chuck Prissel

- This group last met in October and a report was given in November.
- Next meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2010 via WisLine.

Faculty Reps Council – Chris Kniep

The December 4 meeting covered the following topics:

- Furlough – how to demonstrate impact
- Formation of search and screen committees for Chancellor positions
- Limited appointees and definition
- Human Resources issues and pending unit clarification petitions
- Collective Bargaining Training, December 7, Oshkosh

Greg Hutchins attended the Collective Bargaining Training and provided this recap:

- In attendance were Chancellors, Provosts, and Human Resources Directors. The consultant's role is to help managers prepare for how to manage the process should groups choose to organize. The primary focus of collective bargaining will be wages, benefits and working conditions. The University position is that WERC does not have jurisdiction as it relates to the accretion requests. The Office of the Attorney General supports the University. Many questions remain unanswered. UW System will remain neutral and will work to coordinate a central response center. A list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) will be available soon. Discussion followed.

Furlough Impacts Committee – Kathleen Haas

- Highlights of the committee's draft report were shared.
- It was suggested that the committee consider including the following:
 - loss of tax revenue
 - balance of unused vacation time
 - develop a zoomerang and send to staff to survey furlough impact
- The committee will meet again in Spring 2010 to determine if the Institution is on track with data collection and reporting.

6. Scholarship Efforts – Greg Blonde

- Provided a recap of the Central and Eastern District Meeting held November 18 in Kimberly. Appreciated the congratulatory message sent by Christine Quinn. A Scholarship Forum is being planned for July or August with the target audience being SRP committee members, FTAC committee members, and mentors.

7. Meeting adjourned by Chris Kniep at 12:50am.

~minutes submitted by Judy Ballweg~