

**Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, December 4, 2012**  
**11am-4pm**  
**Pyle Center, Madison**

Present: Nancy Anne Miller, Mary Pardee, Craig Saxe, Mike Ballweg, Donna Duerst, Karen Joos, Barb Larson, Gail Huycke, Kathy Eisenmann, Greg Trudeau, Maria Bendixen, Jerry Braatz, Greg Wise, Don Taylor, Art Lersch, Marty Havlovic, Karen Dickrell, Patrick McLaughlin, Aaron Brower, Greg Hutchins, Dan Hill, Judy Ballweg, Teri Zuege-Halverson (via WisLine)

**Call to Order**

Chair Karen Dickrell called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM and certified that the notice requirements of the open meetings law had been met.

**Welcome and Introductions**

**Approval of September 4 Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Maria, seconded by Art to approve the minutes. Voice vote, motion carried.

**Secretary of the Faculty and Academic Staff – Greg Hutchins**

- Executive Order #54: Discussed “20-19 UW System Criminal Background Check Policy”. This draft will be considered by the Board of Regents on December 6. Brochures are being developed for the public on how to report including local phone numbers. Item #1 – Positions of Trust, needs to be defined. For additional information, check out the FAQ: [http://www.wisconsin.edu/gc-off/docs/Child-Abuse-and-Neglect\\_Executive-Order-FAQ.pdf](http://www.wisconsin.edu/gc-off/docs/Child-Abuse-and-Neglect_Executive-Order-FAQ.pdf)
- Infusing Technology Conference: If you were unable to attend, sessions have been archived at the following website (<http://tech.uwex.edu/infusing-technology-conference/agenda>)
- Process for Reviewing Policies: Greg met with Matt Lind, UW System Legal and is developing an approach to address discrepancies, when identified, between administrative policies and faculty rights.
- Legislators and Reporting Requirements: The Wisconsin 2011-2013 Biennial Budget (Act 32) is an accountability report which requires that the UW report against a number of specific performance measures defined by the legislature. These reports can be found at: <http://www.uwsa.edu/opar/accountability/> It was suggested that a conversation with Chancellor Cross take place to discuss performance measures that better represent UW-Extension divisional work in an effort to better tell our story to state legislators.

**Provost and Vice Chancellor Report – Aaron Brower**

- UW Flexible Option: A competency-based, self-paced learning option starting in Fall 2013. UW-Milwaukee will offer four degree programs and one certificate program (two nursing degrees, diagnostic imaging, information science & technology, and certificate in professional and technical communication). Several other UW System institutions, including UW-Parkside, are working to develop Flexible Options for their degree programs. For additional information, check out the website: <http://ecampus.wisconsin.edu/online-degree-programs/flex-option.aspx>

- **Fiscal Model of Higher Education:** Discussion focused on exploring ways UW-Ext can generate dollars to off-set the decrease in public funding. There is a need to think more entrepreneurial, identifying opportunities as well as connecting back to the strategic plan. How do we do this? It was suggested that we revisit this topic at a future University Committee/Faculty Senate meeting.

#### **Chair Report – Karen Dickrell**

- **2013 SRP/FTAC Scholarship Forum**  
Planning Team: Art Lersch (chair), Craig Saxe, Jerry Braatz, Donna Duerst
- **2013 Faculty Tenure Orientation**  
Planning Team: Gail Huycke (chair), Greg Wise, Mary Pardee
- **2013 Electronic Portfolio Submission Workshop**  
Planning Team: Kathy Eisenmann (chair), Barb Larson, Don Taylor  
Resource Persons: Greg Johl, Tony Roman, Jean Berger
- **Communication Plan within Academic Departments**  
Discussed how FS business is currently being reported back to colleagues and opportunities for improvement. After much discussion, it was decided that the FS Chair (Karen Dickrell) will create a quarterly summary that is short and easy to read. Each summary will include meeting highlights and/or current issues as well as a sentence describing the purpose of Faculty Senate. Art has offered to review/edit.
- **Prepare for Dialogue with Chancellor Cross regarding state budget and entrepreneurship.**  
As a group, members discussed issues, possibilities and goals. More structure is needed to prepare for dialogue. Revisit this topic at next meeting.
- **Revisions to Statement of Intent**  
The University Committee decided to send a letter to Dean Klemme and Larry Jones thanking them for their willingness to make changes to the Statement of Intent after the faculty raised concerns about its purpose and use.
- **Coop Extension Policies on Lateral Transfers (UPG#7) and Next Steps**
  - The amended administrative policies documents have been sent to Dean Klemme who has agreed to get back to the University Committee once human resources personnel have had a chance to review them.
  - The University Committee will be working with the Secretary of the Faculty, UW System Legal, and administration to develop a process that can be used to address discrepancies between administrative policies and faculty rights and responsibilities.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **Systemwide Extension Council – Mike Ballweg, Karen Dickrell**  
Next meeting: December 5, UW-Milwaukee

#### **Academic Department Caucus**

The representatives from each academic department caucused to discuss methods for enhancing communications with the rest of the faculty in their departments.

**Identification of Future Meeting Topics**

Suggest topic for future meetings included: annual review processes (relation to pay plan, Chapter 3.01, training, etc); HRS redesign; University Committee report as a standing agenda item; report from Dean on the revised lateral transfers policies; next steps on the process for addressing conflicts between administrative policies and faculty rights and responsibilities; Chancellor's ideas on being more entrepreneurial; Executive Order #54 background checks.

Motion by Benixen, second by Ballweg to start the February 5, 2013 meeting at 9am, and postpone the March meeting to April 2, 2013 from 11am-4pm. Motion passed on a voice vote.

Motion by Duerst, second by Braatz to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote.

~minutes submitted by Judy Ballweg~