

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 13, 2011
11:30am-4:30pm
Pyle Center, Madison

Present: Mike Ballweg, Barb Larson, Otto Wiegand, Eric Carson, Dan Hill, Patrick McLaughlin, Matt Calvert, Marv Van Keckerix, Michael Childers, Nancy Anne Miller, Art Lersch, Karen Dickrell, Jerry Braatz, Craig Saxe, Greg Trudeau, Jenny Erickson, Greg Hutchins, Connie Eisch, Kathy Eisenmann, Karen Joos, Gail Huycke, Teri Zuege-Halvorsen, Judy Ballweg

Via Phone: Joan Wimme, Chuck Prissel

Meeting called to order at 10:35am by Karen Dickrell and certified open meeting requirements had been met.

Welcome and Introductions – Karen Dickrell

Approval of September 13 Meeting Minutes

Karen Joos approved, Art Lersch seconded, minutes approved.

Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor Report – Greg Hutchins

- Distributed and discussed the Strategic Planning Vision Statements which focus on the functions of the Central Office (administrative units: IT, Office of Inclusion, HR, Government Relations). Members were asked to rank one on each side of the paper. Input was collected for future use.
- Distributed and discussed the Strategic Planning Vision Themes. Input was collected for future use.
- UW-Extension Brand/Architecture meeting was held earlier this week and we're getting closer to securing an architect in which to help elevate UW-Ext visibility.
- Continuing to work on a Collaborations Conference in an effort to provide a forum for divisional collaboration. The idea is to determine theme(s) and invite dialogue from all who are interested in participating. Planning team includes: Sue Buck, Charles Meyer, Tina Hauser, Dan Hill, and Greg Hutchins. Be looking for more details earlier next year.

Chair Report – Karen Dickrell

- Faculty Senate representation on the UW Colleges and UW-Ext Joint Governance Meeting will be Jerry Braatz and Karen Joos. This meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 16, UW Fox Valley.
- *Resolution on the Importance of Maintaining Faculty Positions*, approved by University Committee on October 11.

Jerry Braatz motioned that the *Resolution* be approved by Faculty Senate, Connie Eisch seconded, resolution approved.

It was noted that when University Committee workgroups are assigned around resolving timely topics, that Faculty Senate members be notified and offered an opportunity for input.

- Faculty Role in Personnel Matters
This will be an ongoing discussion among Faculty Senate Members.
- Approval of *What is the Role of Faculty Senators?* brochure.
After much discussion, Judy will incorporate additional edits and share back with Faculty Senate members for final approval.
- Recap of November 8 University Committee meeting regarding Coop Ext redistricting and academic department representation.

Connie Eisch motioned an edit to UWEX Article of Faculty Governance, Article 2.01(2), UW-Extension Senate and University Committee, to remove last two sentences and revisit these edits in six months, Craig Saxe seconded, motion approved.

Jenny Erickson motioned an additional edit to UWEX Article of Faculty Governance, Article 2.01(5), UW-Extension Senate and University Committee, to remove “geographic zones” and revisit these edits in six months, Karen Joos seconded, motion approved.

Update on Coop Ext Action Teams – revisit in January

- Website -- <https://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/strategicdirections/>
- Invite Rick Klemme and/or Annie Jones to provide timely (monthly?) updates.

Academic Department Caucus

- Academic department members were asked what issues they plan to report back on:

Family Development – Kathy Eisenmann

- Importance of implementing senate elections in light of redistricting within academic department and perhaps consider alternatives.
- Importance of having substantial content on roles and responsibilities of faculty discussions at all Family Development meetings including different topics like faculty density and geographic representations.

Youth Development – Matt Calvert

Agriculture/Agribusiness – Mike Ballweg

- In an effort to inform other faculty in the Department of Ag/Ag-Business, Senators from our department take turns summarizing the information from the Senate meetings and share with our department members. Department members responded positively to summary notes received from the last Senate meeting.
- Department of Ag/Ag-Business is in the process of exploring a possible Departmental name change.

Community Resource Development – Gail Huycke

- Senators will meet with department chairs and discuss scheduling a WisLine
 - Recap university and senate activities.
 - Discuss how our department will address representation on senate.
 - What topics do they want us to bring to senate?
 - How do they want us to interact with action teams and strategic directions (keeping in mind faculty rights and responsibilities)?
 - What future issues would they like the Chancellor to address?

Labor Education – Michael Childers

- Our department does not have the same issues as others, we are a faculty of six and all are in the same building where information is easily shared

Environmental Sciences – Eric Carson

- Our department does not have the same issues as others, we are a faculty of seven and all are in the same building where information is easily shared, formally meet once a year

It was suggest that Faculty Senate continue to include academic department breakouts during future Faculty Senate meeting.

- Approval of brochure, “What is the Role of Faculty Senators?” Discussion followed.

Michael Childers motioned that the following edits be made:

--inside panel:

Faculty Senate is your elected body of representatives.

Senate Roles to include: *actively participate in the governance and policy development of the institution*

Replace Chapter 36 with: *36.09(4) Faculty. The faculty of each institution, subject to the responsibilities and powers of the board, the president and the chancellor of such institution, shall be vested with responsibility for the immediate governance of such institution and shall actively participate in institutional policy development. As such, the faculty shall have the primary responsibility for academic and educational activities and faculty personnel matters. The faculty of each institution shall have the right to determine their own faculty organizational structure and to select representatives to participate in institutional governance.*

Mike Ballweg seconded, edits approved. Judy will distribute the revised copy for approval.

University Committee Reports

- Systemwide Extension Council – Karen Dickrell
 - The Council met on December 7, Oshkosh. UW-Extension Marketing/Branding Update was provided by Howard Cosgrove, Communications Specialist, UW-Ext/UW C. UW-Extension Strategic Planning Themes and Vision Statements were shared and discussed. Systemwide Extension Council Members discussed our structure and role. Next meeting is March 7, 2012.
- Academic Leadership Standing Committee – Mike Ballweg
 - Committee met last week via WisLine and the budget was discussed.
- UW System Faculty Reps – Eric Carson
 - The Reps met on December 4 and the budget was discussed.
- It was suggested that we invite someone from HR or Staff Benefits to provide an update on Sick Leave Policy (Jeanne Stuckert, Rosemary Potter, David Prucha)

Strategic Planning – Marv Van Kekerix

- Marv distributed and discussed the Strategic Issues and Goals, asking members to divide into groups to talk about which Issues/Goals are important/realistic as well as what's missing. Questions and discussion followed.
- If you have additional thoughts/ideas, please share with Marv – marv.vankekerix@uwex.edu

Faculty Senate Committee Reports

- 2012 SRP/FTAC Scholarship Forum
 - Planning for 2011-2012: Craig Saxe, Art Lersch, Teri Zuege-Halvorsen, Karen Dickrell, Donna Duerst(?), Chuck Prissel(?)
- 2012 Tenure Orientation Workshop
 - Offering one workshop: May 14, 2012, Stevens Point
 - Planning for 2011-2012: Mike Ballweg (chair), Gail Huycke, Barb Larson, Nancy Anne Miller, Kathy Eisenmann.

Political Effectiveness and Evaluation – Mike Ballweg

- Revisit this topic at next meeting.

Ken Bolton Documents and Next Steps

- Subcommittee (Mike, Art, Michael, Dan) will meet to review materials submitted and prepare to report back at the January University Committee meeting on how best to proceed.

Approval of revised language to UW-Extension Unclassified Personnel Guidelines UPG#\$: Procedure for Awarding Emeritus Status, 4.01 Eligibility:

Emeritus status can be conferred only on former faculty and academic staff who have had permanent employment with the University and who have activated their annuities or who are eligible to receive an annuity from the Wisconsin Retirement System. Individuals who have held a concurrent senior administrative title of dean or higher may be granted emeritus status by the Chancellor for the administrative title.

Jenny Erickson motioned to approve edits, Jerry Braatz seconded, edits approved and now onto Chancellor's approval.

Nancy Anne Miller motioned to adjourn, Teri Zuege-Halvorsen seconded, meeting adjourned at 4:25pm.

~minutes submitted by Judy Ballweg~