

University Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 23, 2016
10am
Via WisLine

Present: Craig Saxe, Kathy Eisenmann, Armando Ibarra, Jeff Hoffman, Barb Barker, Dan Hill, Judy Ballweg

1. Call to Order / Certification of Open Meeting Notice Compliance – Craig Saxe, Chair
2. Discussion on UW System Funds Released for Base Salary Increase for Faculty – all
 - Funds need to be distributed as salary adjustments based on the four “non-pay plan” criteria of merit, market, retention, and equity.
 - Discussing with Deans/Directors about how best to distribute our funds.
 - Plan to make permanent base-salary adjustments that will begin in the coming fiscal year.
 - This year funds will be used for one-time salary adjustments.

Motion by Eisenmann, second by Hoffman. The University of Wisconsin-Extension University Committee requests that the Chancellor respond, preferably in person at the March 1, 2016 meeting of the UW-Extension Faculty Senate, or in writing in anticipation of the March 1 meeting, with information regarding the \$185,000 of base salary increases for faculty that was distributed by UW System to UW-Extension. Specifically, the UW-Extension Faculty Senate wants to know:

- What is this money?
- What was the original intent of the money when distributed by UW System? What instructions were received from UW System for the distribution of these funds?
- Why was the money not used for that original intent?
- What are the plans now for that money, including the amount cleared for distribution in fiscal year 2016?

Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

It was agreed that the above language would be communicated by UC Chair Craig Saxe to Chancellor Sandeen, Provost/Vice Chancellor Brower, and Chief of Staff Vidal.

- This item will be placed on the March 1 Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda along with the March 1 Joint Governance Groups Meeting Agenda.
3. Coordinating Membership on Identified nEXT Generation Workgroups – Jeff Hoffman
 - Steering Committee is scheduled to meet on March 4, March 15 and every other Thursday until needed.
 - No workgroups have been identified at this time.

Motion by Eisenmann, second by Barker. The University of Wisconsin-Extension University Committee requests that Associate Dean Annie Jones and nEXT Generation project manager Jay Rowan (Huron Group) provide the UW-Extension Faculty Senate with the following information in preparation for the Senate’s meeting on March 1, 2016:

- A description of the timeline for the formation of the nEXT Generation thematic work groups
- How will membership of the work groups be selected?
- What topics/themes will the work groups address?
- How will faculty nominations be sought for participation on the individual work groups?

Motion carried on a 5-0 roll call vote.

It was agreed that the above language would be communicated by Jeff Hoffman to Associate Dean Annie Jones and Project Manager Jay Rowan (include Dean Klemme, Provost Brower, Chancellor Sandeen, Chief of Staff Vidal?)

Additional motion:

Motion by Eisenmann, second by Barker. In preparation for the March 1, 2016 meeting of the UW-Extension Faculty Senate, the University of Wisconsin-Extension University Committee requests that the Chancellor provide a summary of and/or a list of themes generated from the input that the Chancellor received in response to her request for feedback to her original release of the nEXT Generation model. The Committee also requests a description of the methodology that was used to prepare the summary or list of themes.

Motion carried on a 5-0 roll call vote.

It was agreed that the above language would be communicated by UC Chair Craig Saxe to Chancellor Sandeen, Provost/Vice Chancellor Brower, and Chief of Staff Vidal.

4. Membership on the ad hoc Policy Committee in Support of the UW Flexible Option Business Degree – all
 - Currently serving on the ad hoc committee: Alexia Kulwiec and Craig Saxe
 - It was suggested that perhaps other UW-Ext faculty members could serve on this ad hoc committee. Dan Hill will research the UC/FS policy on who can serve on ad hoc committees and report back at the March 1 FS meeting.
5. Discuss Matters Important to University Committee as it Relates to Institutional Changes
 - Craig announced that the governance group chairs will be meeting periodically with the Chancellor, via WisLine, as a way to keep the lines of communication open and discuss timely topics.
 - It was decided that the March 1 FS meeting start time be changed to 10am.
 - Judy Ballweg will be sending out a Doodle Scheduler in an effort to secure a UC WisLine for mid-March with plans to schedule a monthly UC WisLine through July 1.

~minutes submitted by Judy Ballweg~