University Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, April 13, 2010  
1-4pm  
Extension Building, Rm. 523

Present:
Greg Blonde, Greg Hutchins, Kathleen Haas, Chris Kniep, Corliss Olson, Christine Quinn, Chancellor Wilson, Tom Evans, Judy Ballweg, Karen Nelson (in place of Chuck Prissel)

1. Meeting called to order at 1:10pm by Chris Kniep and certified the open meeting requirements.

2. Approval of minutes of the January 12, 2010 meeting.
   Corliss moved to approve, Tom seconded, minutes approved.

   • Board of Regents meeting was held at UW-Fond du Lac/UW-Extension Fond du Lac County, on April 8-9, 2010. The event was titled, Leading Locally for Statewide Impact, and was excellent in showcasing how local initiatives contribute to increased statewide educational achievement, economic development, and sustainability. A link to the webcast can be found on the UW System homepage -- http://www.wisconsin.edu/
   • Educational Attainment – by 2025 the goal is to have 80,000 more Wisconsin adults with college degrees over the next 15 years. This is part of the UW System’s Growth Agenda for Wisconsin. UW-Extension will play a major role in achieving this goal.
   • The institution is in good financial health not knowing what the 2011-2013 budget has in store. The dollars being carried forward will be money that enables the institution to shore up investments of one-time items.

4. Provost Report – Christine Quinn
   • Board of Regents meeting was a great opportunity to showcase the great work we do on a daily basis. Together with Greg Lampe, Provost and Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, UW Colleges we were able to showcase innovation, collaboration and scholarship.
   • Sustainable Communities Public Policy Forum was held March 25-26, UW-Fox Valley, with the theme of “people, profit, planet”. As an outcome of the Forum, a policy paper will be developed.
   • Two Broadband Grant Proposals have been submitted –
     ✓ BTOP Sustainable Broadband Adoption (SBA) Application, Submitted on March 12, 2010: "Building Community Capacity through Sustainable Broadband Adoption"
     ✓ BTOP Comprehensive Community Infrastructure (CCI) Application, Submitted on March 26, 2010: “Building Community Capacity through Broadband
     ✓ The grant proposals can be found at:
       http://www.uwex.edu/ces/cced/economies/broadband/uwex_btop_grant_applications.cfm
   • UW-Extension is applying for the Carnegie Designation for Engagement. Currently, UW-Madison and UW-Parkside have this designation. UW-Green Bay
will be applying this year, as well. Greg Hutchins will take the lead in creating a team to help complete the application process. The application team will be comprised of the Program Impacts Team members in addition to a representative from Academic Staff Council and University Committee. The work of this team will be done between May 1 and September 1. Please submit your representative to Greg Hutchins by April 23. Names mentioned include Chuck Prissel, Tom Evans, Denise Retzleff.

- Attending and providing the keynote at The Center for Community-based Partnerships at the University of Alabama recognition luncheon, April 23. This will be a great opportunity to share and showcase the great work in Wisconsin.
- Research to Jobs Implementation Team has been created. Along with Kim Kindschi, we will represent UW-Extension. Work will focus on Centers of Excellence and Entrepreneurship with an emphasis on degrees, jobs and healthy communities.
- A social event is planned for May 11 to say thank you to our colleagues on the Academic Staff Council and University Committee who are critically important to our institution’s process of shared governance and to celebrate that partnership. Be looking for an email invite, soon.

5. Chair Report – Chris Kniep
- Chair, Search and Screen Committee for the new Chancellor. Charles Bunting of Stobeck/Pimentel and Associates search firm has been hired. The committee will be conducting listening sessions with each division.
- UW-Eau Claire and UW-Superior are moving forward with Collective Bargaining discussions.

6. Secretary of the Faculty Report – Greg Hutchins
- 2010-2011 Meeting Calendar (two changes)
  - remove January 12 joint governance meeting with UW Colleges
  - keep March 4 joint governance meeting with UW Colleges
- Election of 2010-2011 University Committee Chair
  - Greg Blonde moved to nominated Chuck Prissel for UC Chair, Kathleen Haas seconded, unanimous vote, motion approved. Chuck Prissel will be the 2010-2011 Chair. The Vice Chair will be appointed after July 1.
  - Our office has submitted an award proposal for the 2010 C. Peter Magrath University Community Engagement Award, “Partners in Building a Sustainable Economy: The Diverse Roles of an Engaged University in Northwest Wisconsin.” The regional winner is to be announced in May.

7. Search and Screen Committee for the new Chancellor for UW Colleges and UW-Extension Update – Chris Kniep
- A website is being designed, listening sessions are being scheduled, refilling position using current position description as the base, edits will be completed in May. The committee is asked to provide a “short list” of un-ranked candidates (5 names) to President Reilly.

8. Faculty Governance Unit Election Update – Greg Hutchins
- Current FGU Chair election results were distributed. To date, 44 chairs have been elected.
- Formal action needed: Adams County requested to be their own FGU, separate from Marquette County.
  - Greg Blonde moved to approve this request, Kathleen Haas seconded, unanimous approval, motion approved.
• FGU Chairs Orientation WisLine
  ✓ Greg Hutchins will reconvene the Article 4 Implementation Committee to discuss and plan the FGU Chairs Orientation WisLine, date in May to be determined. Topics for discussion include: hire/fire process, 3-year review process, role of supporting faculty, FGU Chair vs Dept. Chair role, recording Unit meeting minutes, audio archiving content of WisLine.

9. Committee Assignment Reports
   Systemwide Extension Council – Tom Evans
   • The Council met on March 3 in Madison. The theme was UW-Extension Marketing and Communication. There was much discussion around what is meant when we talk about “marketing” and the need for a consistent message or set of messages to use when “marketing”. The Council agreed that it’s important to know your audience in addition to gaining a better understanding of each other.

   Academic Leadership Standing Committee – Chuck Prissel
   • No report

   Faculty Reps Council – Tom Evans
   • Distributed and discussed the Council meeting highlights which included Collective Bargaining and eCampus. Tom suggested that a University Committee rep remain on the Council for longer than one year in an effort to build relationships.

   Furlough Impacts Committee – Kathleen Haas
   • The committee met on March 23 to review data collection and reporting. A concern being expressed by employees is vacation carryover being lost as a result of Furlough Days – after taking the required furlough days there is not enough time left to take vacation and get the work done. It was reported that Cooperative Extension is reviewing the external employment policy as it relates to Furlough Days. It was suggested that the committee research legal options for carrying over unused vacation longer due to Furlough Days.

10. Faculty Senate Committees
   2010 Tenure Orientation Workshops – Chris Kniep
   • Catherine Neiswender is chairing the 2010 committee. Dates and location is set – May 10 and September 14, Holiday Inn Hotel and Convention Center, Stevens Point. An email registration has gone out for the May 10 offering and there are currently 21 registrants. Looking into streaming video of modules for posting to website.

   Tenure and Scholarship Annual Review Forum – Kathleen Haas, Greg Blonde
   • The date and location has been set – Tuesday, August 3, Holiday Inn Hotel and Convention Center, Stevens Point. The target audience is SRP committee members, FTAC committee members, mentors, and academic department chairs. The Committee will meet via WisLine on April 16 to create the agenda with a “save the date” email to follow.
11. Compensation Advisory Committee Representative – Greg Hutchins
   - There is a Faculty vacancy on this committee. This committee meets annually, via WisLine, to review biennial pay plan sent to Board of Regents. The next meeting is May 14. Kathleen Haas volunteered to attend the May meeting.

12. Scholarship Efforts – Greg Hutchins
   - Greg distributed and discussed handout, “2010 Combined UW Colleges Colloquium/Engaging Students in the First Year Conference”, scheduled for Tuesday, May 25, UW-Fox Valley. This is an excellent opportunity to explore the topics of scholarship and engagement in an interdisciplinary dialogue with colleagues from UW Colleges.

13. Discussion of Institutional Issues and Opportunities Appropriate for Governance.
   - It was reported that Cooperative Extension Administrative Committee (CEAC) has conducted a “10% budget reduction” exercise. Questions followed:
     ✓ What is the role of Faculty and shared governance?
     ✓ What’s the Faculty interest in this process?
     ✓ Will we be asked to support / approve?
     ✓ What are the implications?
     ✓ Should we be concerned?
     ✓ Should University Committee/Faculty Senate have a rep on CEAC?
     ✓ Should we invite Rick Klemme to an upcoming Faculty Senate Meeting to address our questions?

4:05pm – Greg Blonde motioned to extend our meeting until 4:15pm, Kathleen Haas seconded, motion approved.

14. Meeting adjourned at 4:25pm

~minutes submitted by Judy Ballweg~