

University Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 8, 2010
11:30am-1:30pm
Pyle Center

Present:

Chris Kniep, Greg Blonde, Kathleen Haas, Ken Mericle (in place of Corliss Olson), Judy Ballweg, Tom Evans, Christine Quinn, Greg Hutchins, Chuck Prissel

Invited Guest:

Matt Hanson (newly elected University Committee Member)

1. Call to order and certify open meeting requirements.
Chris called meeting to order at 11:40am and certified open meeting requirements.
2. Approval of minutes of the May 11 meeting
Kathleen moved to approve adding Greg Hutchins to the list of attendees, Tom seconded, minutes approved.
3. Christine Quinn presented a certificate of appreciation and thanks to the following outgoing University Committee members – Tom Evans, Greg Blonde, Chris Kniep
4. Chair Report
 - Everyone introduced themselves.
 - Priority will be placed on item #7 (governance orientation) and item #5 (10% budget reduction exercise).
 - Search and Screen Committee for the new Chancellor for UW-Extension and UW Colleges is making progress. The position description appears to be in its final version. Website development is progressing.
 - Chris thanked all Committee members for their time and commitment. Thank you cards and candy was distributed.
 - Chuck thanked Chris for her excellent leadership as Chair and looks forward to working with her in her capacity as ex-officio member.
5. Approval of 2010-2011 meeting schedule revisions.
 - The revised schedule has University Committee meeting the second Tuesday of each month (except for September).
 - Chuck moved to approve the revised schedule, Kathleen seconded, schedule approved.
6. Follow up on “10% budget reduction” exercise
 - Chris started the conversation by emphasizing the importance of having a voice during these difficult fiscal times and that this exercise provides us an opportunity to share our thoughts and ideas with Rick Klemme. This exercise is an opportunity to be part of the planning as Coop Ext matches community needs with divisional resources/staff. Questions and discussion followed.

- Suggestions:
 - have a representative from University Committee on Coop Ext Administrative Committee (CEAC).
 - invite Rick Klemme to one of our upcoming meetings.
7. University Committee Assignment Reports
- Systemwide Extension Council – Tom Evans
Next meeting is scheduled for June 8, UW-Milwaukee, discussing collaborations. Unable to attend due to scheduling difficulty.
 - Academic Leadership Standing Committee – Chuck Prissel
This group is meeting today, face-to-face. Topics discussed included budget reduction issues, review of funding sources, and collective bargaining (David Nack, guest speaker).
 - Faculty Reps Council – Chris Kniep
The Council has not met since May 7. The Council consists of a representative from each comprehensive campus in addition to UW-Extension and UW Colleges. Christine Quinn emphasized the importance of a representative from UW-Ext serve on this Council as we continue to look for opportunities to collaborate. Chris will continue her role on this Council.
 - Furlough Impacts Committee – Kathleen Haas
The Committee continues to gather data. A committee update and findings is due out soon.
8. Discussion of Institutional Issues and Opportunities Appropriate for Governance
- Collective Bargaining
Faculty at UW-Eau Claire and UW-Superior voted in favor of forming a union through the American Federation of Teachers-Wisconsin. Contracts are pending.
 - Governance Orientation
 - An orientation WisLine is scheduled for August 18, time TBD. Christine Quinn offered to participate in this WisLine.
 - All elected members of the University Committee are asked to identify an alternate. Please share this name with Judy Ballweg by June 30.
 - Compensation Workgroup
This workgroup is advisory to the Competitive University Workforce Commission. Their charge is to compare peer institutes in other states as a way to compare how Wisconsin rates. It was suggested that a representative appointed by the University Committee have a seat on the Compensation Workgroup.

~minutes submitted by Judy Ballweg~