University Committee Meeting  
Tuesday September 7, 2010  
11:30-1:00 p.m.  
Pyle Center

Present: Chuck Prissel, Matt Hansen, Kathleen Haas, Eric Carson, Corliss Olson, Christine Quinn, Greg Hutchins, Chris Kniep and Karen Dickrell.

1. Call to Order and Certify open meeting requirements.
   Chuck called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. and certified open meeting requirements had been met.

2. Approval of Minutes of the August 10, 2010 meeting
   Corliss Olson moved/Kathleen Haas seconded to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2010 meeting. Motion carried.

3. Provost and Vice Chancellor Christine Quinn provided an update on initiatives she was been involved with.
   - A McGraw award application on Sustainability was submitted, but we were not a finalist. The feedback given was a concern about our role in leadership, for example the engaged scholarship.
   - Discussion followed on how this might be interpreted and what we might need to do to increase awareness of what we do.
   - Christine shared that she wants us to be leaders in scholarship.
   - We discussed the vehicles currently in place such as the Journal of Extension. Perhaps we need to reframe what is scholarship and have discussions of what is service and what is scholarship. We need to emphasize action research, what we do and who we are.
   - We may need to cite students/adult learners and how the knowledge is being used.
   - Different departments use publications in different ways; some target the research for the variety of audiences we serve – public, technical and peer reviewed. We may need to produce our information targeting these different audiences.
   - It was suggested that the All Staff Conference will be a good opportunity to exploring and look at what is being done such as the Youth in Government sessions being offered.
   - It was suggested we find the “stars” and guild on their successes
   - Explore what has been recently submitted as department papers.

   Next Steps: It was suggested that a team of supporters be brought together. We need to explore the various uses of technology, looking to a different approach with outreach. It was suggested to work through the various Department Chairs; another option is the Research and Studies committees of the various departments. Christine will talk with the Department Chairs as a starting point.

4. University Committee Assignment for 2010-2011 and Reports
   - System-wide Extension Council – Karen Dickrell reported the group is meeting Sept. 8th. Karen is unable to attend and has contacted Connie Eisch.
   - Academic Leadership Standing Committee – Matt Hanson reported that they will be meeting on Sept. 20th.
   - Faculty Reps Council – Chris Kniep reported on a retreat and meeting Sept. 30-Oct. 1.
Furlough Impacts Committee – Kathleen Haas reported they have shared our input with the group. Provost Quinn reported that there will be a modified approach, proactive approach looking at the number of hours of lost productivity; lost federal funding, and qualitative approach in lost programs.

Chancellor Search and Screen Update – Chris Kniep reported that the Search and Screen Committee have information on the current pool of applicants. They are in the process of reviewing the applications. Closing date is Friday Sept. 17th. The first two weeks in November will involve the interview process. The interviews will be broadcast. Currently they are looking at possible site visit locations that have both UW Campus and UW Extension on location. Possible sites are Richland Center, Sheboygan and Fond du Lac. The Board of Regents meeting will be on November 17th. University Committee members were encouraged to mark time on their calendars for the first two weeks in November. Faculty Governance is an important part of the process. We discussed how to include the faculty senate in this process as well. Corliss Olson, Matt Hanson and Kathleen Haas said they would work with a planning team. It was also suggested that we offer suggestions for the interview questions as well that might include the faculty governance perspective.

5. Reconvening UW Extension Expanded Budget Planning Committee: Outcomes to Reinvesting the Money. Chris Kniep provided an update on the status of the discussion. $672,000 was returned to UW Extension. Currently there have been some options identified: 1. Re-invest with groups it came from originally; 2. Hold money centrally; 3. Look at new options or outreach. Part of the discussion included pooling the money. It was determined that hiring a grant writer would not meet the needs due to the diversity of programs. No decisions have been made. It was suggested that the group revisit the vision and strategic plan process to get direction. They will meet again. Chuck will forward information on to Chris Kniep who has served on the committee. Chuck was encouraged to attend a future meeting as well by Provost Quinn.

6. Preparing for Joint Meeting (ASC, FS) we reviewed the meeting that will be held from 1:00 -2:30. Common topics have been determined. We will discuss the Search and Screen process and faculty governance involvement.

7. Preparing for our “Maximizing our Resource Engine” discussion with Dean Klemme 2:30 -4:30 today. Greg will highlight Chapter 39 as a starting point for our discussion.

8. February 8th Faculty Senate Meeting will be held from 11:00 – 3:30. There will not be a University Committee meeting that day. Kathleen Haas will assist with the agenda for the day. The afternoon discussion (today) may help us determine our meeting topics for February.

9. Governance Orientation August 18. The orientation was held via teleconference/web. The information has been archived. It was felt that it is a good way to start the year with both Faculty Senate and the University Committee.

10. Collective Bargaining Update/Discussion – There is nothing to share at this time.

11. Discussion of Institutional Issues and Opportunities Appropriate for Governance – Correspondence from a Department of Ag/Ag Business faculty member was reviewed. We are encouraged to be aware of the articles of governance. It is our charge to be informed and well versed. We discussed the role we play and when we take action.
12. Adjourn – Chuck adjourned the meeting at 12:58.

Minutes submitted by Karen Dickrell