



**University Committee Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 6, 2015**

Present: Kathy Eisenmann, Jeff Hoffman, Craig Saxe, Don Taylor, Barb Barker, Art Lersch

Also present: Marty Havlovic, Dan Hill, Aaron Brower, Christine Curley

Meeting called to order at 11:35 by Craig Saxe, Chair

Minutes of the meeting held on November 4, 2014 were approved as distributed.

Interim Provost Aaron Brower and chairperson Saxe led a discussion about budget challenges facing UW System and the policy questions related to UW System that were being discussed within the context of the state budget.

Christine Curley was on hand to provide an overview of changes that are being proposed to UWS chapters 4 and 7 that relate to discipline of faculty in cases of sexual harassment/misconduct and domestic abuse. Changes are needed to bring UW System policies in line with Title IX requirements. Comments should be directed to Christine.

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Craig Saxe announced that a meeting had been arranged for the chairs of the governance groups to dialogue with new Chancellor Cathy Sandeen about shared governance and institutional issues.

Jeff Hoffman reported that the ad hoc committee on faculty annual reviews had made good progress and that five counties had been identified to participate as pilots of the review process.

**Chair Report – Craig Saxe**

It was suggested that a workgroup made up of members from all governance groups be appointed to work on the question of merit.

No progress to report on the idea of updating the policies on conflicts of interest.

Dan Hill reminded the committee of the policies related to faculty involvement in search and screen committees that are imbedded in UPG 17.

**Committee Reports (if any):**

Kathy Eisenmann reported from the Systemwide Extension Council on the discussion around the possible revision of documents that provide the foundation for inter-institutional agreements between UW-Extension and the other UW institutions.

Marty Havlovic reported that the academic department chairs have been working diligent on the implementation of the policy that requires annual faculty reviews.

**Identification of Future Meeting Topics – All**

- Educational Communications Academic Department Update – David Schejbal (Faculty Senate mtg?)
- Classified Staff Workplace Climate Survey Recommendations – (Faculty Senate mtg?)
- UWS 4 and UWS 7 amendments (Faculty Senate meeting)
- Faculty Annual Review implementation
- Workgroup on merit compensation (joint meeting with ACS and CSC)

**Next Meeting: Faculty Senate**  
**Tuesday, February 3, 2014**  
**10am-1pm**  
**Pyle Center**

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