March 2013 CASI Minutes

Graduate School
Committee on Academic Staff Issues
Monday, March 11th 2013 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm

Minutes: Kristin Crosno

WIPAC Location: 222 W Washington Ave 5th floor Neutrino conference room

Convene

Present: Kristin Crosno, Nicci Schmidt, Bruce Neumann, Moira Harrington, Tom Zinnen, Julie Schears, John Richards

Absent: Julie Karpelenia, Wayne Feltz, Jenny Hackel, Jennifer Eagleton, Alex Converse, Judy Bauman

Welcome and Chair Comments

Nicci Schmidt chaired the meeting in Wayne's absence. She thanked John Richards for hosting. Meeting was convened at 1:40pm.

WIPAC, had a tour after the meeting convened.

Review and approve minutes from January and February 2013 meetings

Save for next month when we have a quorum.

General Reports

ASA/ASEC report (Neumann/Feltz) Bruce Neumann said the body did not have a quorum for the ASA meeting; ASEC needs to fill Dana Alder's spot, election coming up in March; nominating committee looking for people. During the last professional development grant cycle. \$27.5k was awarded, but there was \$80k in requests. Donna Cole trying to find more money to up the award money total.

Committee Reports

Personnel Policies and Procedures/HR Design – Work Team/Status (Schmidt)

Personnel policies, public events for HR design. Kristin Crosno will attend, will report in April 1(via email). Not sure what the current reports are about, may just be informational or gathering feedback to refine existing proposal. Will provide a Web link if there is one

Communications (Richards)

GS-CASI website is current aside from the minutes.

Nominating and Districting (Schmidt)

- Elections will be held from March 18-22
- Review of upcoming district elections (Schmidt)

Nicci Schmidt, Bruce Neumann and Moira Harrington are running for re-election. It is a 3-year term.

Professional Development (Neumann)

Next round of professional development grants coming up later this month. Committee has developed a form to review professional development grant applications to facilitate consistent definitions and rankings and accommodate the increased volume of proposals. A concern had been raised that this form and its use could be subject to open records requests and review. Bruce Neumann reported that he spoke with Ben Griffiths, Sr. University legal counsel for centeral admin. , whose opinion was that the new form would be considered a personnel record and thus it would be an exception to open records requirements. Grant applications are due 12 April.

Other Business

Discussed the new chancellor search. Candidates are currently visiting campus. All of the candidates are from outside of the campus, and none have prior chancellor experience.

Under a recommendation of the Administrative Excellence exercise, (Richards) there are three IT-related proposals--notice of deadlines to get rid of all wisc.edu email, pushing for Dell equipment, and getting rid of iCal. MDS only offers three products from Dell. Data centers to consolidate data centers for DoIT. New calendar would allow people to schedule meetings so all are on the same calendar view. Email might not initially work on smart phones.

This topic is on the ASEC meeting.

Action Items A future agenda item once new chancellor arrives: Under a new chancellor, will the provost stay or will the chancellor choose a new one?

Tour of WIPAC facility lead by John Richards

Adjourn 3:00pm

Next Meeting:

April 8th, 2013

Location: Bascom Hall Rm 350 Time: 1:30-3:00pm

Future Minutes: Alex Converse

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristin Crosno