

**Minutes**  
Graduate School  
Committee on Academic Staff Issues  
Monday, February 14th 2011 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm  
334 Bascom Hall

Present: Martin Cadwallader, Miriam Simmons, Cheryl Redman, Nicole Schmidt, Bruce Neumann, Wayne Feltz, Moira Harrington, Julie Schears and Julie Karpelenia

Absent: Kristin Nagle and Jenny Hackel

**Convene**

Meeting convened at 1:30 pm by Dean Cadwallader

**Welcome and Chair Comments**

Miriam welcomed all and commended attendees for braving the cold. She also thanked Cheryl for hosting the December meeting at the Genetics/Biotechnology Center and for providing coffee and very delicious cookies.

**Review and approve minutes from 12/13/10 meeting**

- Review minutes from December 13, 2010. A couple of corrections will be made and the November 2010 minutes will be sent out via email for approval because there had not been a quorum at the December meeting that would have allowed for approval of those minutes.

**ASA/ASEC report (Neumann, Feltz)**

Academic Staff Assembly (ASA) – Bruce reported on the November 8 ASA meeting and discussed:

- o Bus passes – one more year with no cost benefit then plan was to charge \$50 per year to academic students/staff/faculty for use of bus
- o Efficiency study – vendor has been chosen and ad hoc committee with academic staff representation is being constructed by ASEC
- o Badger Partnership – now renamed Public Authority Working Group is meeting every Friday to discuss what principles this new system would be designed around
- o Budget – TBD, but expect 10-15% cuts in state funding to university

**Committee Reports**

Communications (Nagle)

Not present.

Nominating and Districting (Feltz)

- Some districts need new representation

- Elections – will be conducted March 28 – April 1<sup>st</sup> for districts 1, 5, and 7

#### Professional Development (Simmons)

Academic staff grant opportunity, vast array of resources, job security, academic staff award increased to 5K, professional development may be one of last avenues for professional advancement

#### Other Business

##### Dean Cadwallader Report – Budget

- 101 money – at least a 10% cut is expected and there is a flexibilities question, budget cuts will be spread around
- Human resources system is about 8 weeks out, end of March training
- Rate and title changes are due sooner than later due to new HRS system to be put into place in April, 2011
- Research restructuring
  - RSP has not moved yet
  - No budgetary impact on centers
  - New industrial contracting unit – budget implications on centers should be minimized, this should not come out of center's budget
  - No Graduate School centers shall be moved
- Graduate School Academic Planning Council
  - GS APC is the governance group with voice of Graduate School Centers are having any issues with new VCR/DGS transition

#### Action Items

Invite Damon Williams to provide diversity information

District 1, 2, 3

Minute takers: Simmons –March, Moira – April, May – Julie, June - Nicci

#### Adjourn at 2:25 pm

#### Next Meeting:

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**Location:** 370 Bascom Hall

**Time 1:30-3:00pm**

**Minutes:** Moira Harrington

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Feltz