

Minutes

Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education
Committee on Academic Staff Issues
Monday, April 11th 2015 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm
Bascom Rm 334
Minutes: Julie Schears

Convene 1:30

Welcome and Chair Comments

Attending: Peter Johnson, Nicci Schmidt, Tom Zinnen, Jenny Hackel, Tim Bendfelt, Tony Pietsch, Julie Schears

Absent: Judy Bauman, Alex Converse, Wayne Feltz, Moira Harrington, Julie Karpelenia (non-voting member), Katie Olson, Robert Newsom, Moira Harrington

Review and approve March minutes (quorum not reached, moved to May)

General Reports

ASA/ASEC report: Tom spoke about the young mother who died of cancer, who was memorialized at the meeting. She had written a book for her that was recently published. Gary Brown gave a presentation on master planning for our future. The UW is going to try to increase visitor parking spots on campus. Another issue was having children brought to work on campus, and a discussion of the proposal outlining the rules related to this circumstance.

Update on ASEC, liaison Robert Newsom. Not present.

Committee Reports

Personnel Policies and Procedures/HR Design (Hackel)
Classified exempt choice (where staff can choose between academic or classified position for those already in certain classified positions) is moving forward.

Communications (Zinnen)
Tom shared website contact information with those present.

Nominating and Districting (Feltz)
Elections began Mar 28 and ran one week. Wayne sent Nicci the results. Alex Converse (district 1) at Waisman Center is bowing out of his position on the CASI, and Adluru Nagesh will begin his term July 1st. Nicci and Moira were both re-elected. Tim was elected for district 9.

Professional Development (Nicci)
The committee reviewed and scored nine proposals. Nicci explained the process for review and recommendations. About half of the applicants usually get funded. CASI members may want to do more outreach to their constituents about this opportunity in future.

Other Business

Governance group event possibilities – further campus education on what is governance
Debrief Showcase--none of the members present had attended. Judy planned to attend so this will be moved to next month's meeting.

Frequently Asked Questions, Academic staff resources revisited. Wayne had brought this forward/also tabled until next meeting.

OVCRGE Performance Management tool updates. No new information currently available, (from last month, using Page-up).

Update on search for Director of Office of Research Cores. At this point we are unaware of any updates on this position. Keep on agenda for next month.

Budget in Brief discussion and suggested refinements—Page 7 of the budget in brief doesn't acknowledge 92 million dollars contributed by state dollars. Page 11 is pie chart that breaks down academic staff into only two categories. See Tom's email.

Nicci suggested that the primary, re-occurring issues under discussion be captured and brought forward in a structured way. One example would be acknowledging academic staff/outreach and their contributions to the WI Idea and making sure information distributed is accurate. Time given for group discussion. Morale also suggested as an element of this by Tom.

It was suggested that we structure the key items to present to Marsha next month, and make sure that time is allowed for this discussion. Also, suggestions for moving forward to work on these issues (dealing with climate, addressing corrections needed in information, and speed of correction in websites.) Perhaps to include 'priorities' in each meeting with Marsha.

Next month we are scheduled to be in same room.

One question for Marsha...Classified Research Bill—what happening with this? Is there such research currently being done on campus? Off campus?

Tom expanded on the parking issue and future parking.

Additional item—acknowledging committee service, suggested Nominating and Districting Committee consider; Jenny will bring to her group.

Review and schedule future topics and speakers:

- Classified Research Bill
 - Human Resources, climate
 - Ombuds office
 - Kathy Kilgore
 - UW budget
 - Administrative Excellence
- Site Visits:
- Arboretum - Moira
 - Primate Center
 - Waisman Center
 - Biotech Center

Future meeting date	Location	Minutes	Topic, note
Monday, June 13	SSEC	Judy Bauman	

Action Items

Adjourn 3 PM

Next Meeting:

May 9th; 1:30-3:00pm, Bascom Rm 334 *VCRGE Marsha scheduled to attend 1:30-2p

Future Minutes: Tom Zinnen

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Schears