

Minutes

Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Education
Committee on Academic Staff Issues
Monday, March 9, 2015 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm
Bascom Hall Rm 334

Convene at 1:30 pm by Nicci Schmidt

Present: Wayne Feltz, Judy Bauman, Nicci Schmidt, Moira Harrington, Julie Schears, Kristin Crosno, Tom Zinnen, Alex Converse, Kristin Harmon, Judith Baumann

Guest: Deb Shapiro (ASEC)

Absent: Julie Karpelenia, Jenny Hackel

Review and approve minutes December. Discussion of clarification of points, as reflected now in the revised minutes for February 2015. Julie Schears moves, Moira Harrington seconds to approve; motion carries. December 2014. Moira Harrington moves, Kristin Harmon seconds to approve;

General Reports

Deborah Shapiro ASEC report: ASEC has not met since Regents feedback regarding speed at which public authority is being implemented. Resolution from assembly stating that if UW-Madison becomes a Public Authority there should still be no reason to pull Chapter 36 if still a state statute. Discussion of flexibilities but still legislature will control tuition. Discussion of how campus may increase revenue through grants and non-resident tuition increases. There is a possibility of changing indirect through Federal agency negotiation and tuition remission increase was also discussed to help repair budget gap.

All-hands governance meeting was held at Varsity Hall Union South meeting attendance from faculty senate, classified staff congress, and academic assembly governance bodies. Chancellor was very transparent that funding cuts will be applied to academic staff and not tenured faculty.

Committee Reports

Personal policies and procedures (Jenny Hackel, chair): How is HR redesign affected by budget cuts? Tom Zinnen stated there will be outreach cuts.

Communications (Tom Zinnen and Kristin Crosno, chair): Tom Zinnen will be learning the web page update interface and will reach out to John Richards for some help.

Nominating and Districting (Wayne Feltz). Julie, Wayne, Kristin and Judy are up for re-election March 2015 for a July 1 start. Paragraphs are being gathered so elections can be held March 23 – 27th.

Professional Development (Nicole Schmidt): April 6th Academic Staff Professional Development grants decisions are upcoming

Other Business

Governance topics: Public authority definition changing continuously so difficult to pin down specifics to discuss. General discussion about current morale and future knows.

Discussion ensued regarding a statement from VCRGE to future Vice-Chancellor for Research endorsing CASI remain in tact advising VCRGE with possible transition.

Updates from previous action items

VCRGE search report from Moira Harrington discussed search process. Mark Cook did well as committee chair, national search was conducted and networking pool developed. Search company also helped with full pool toward end of January with a very thorough search. Shared governance was mentioned several times. Certain candidates appreciated the governance on campus. Dean of Graduate school search was in parallel but timing now will be VCRGE decision made first.

Four forums for VCRGE finalist at WID next week will be held. More information can be found here:

<http://www.news.wisc.edu/23554>

Arthur Kramer, director of the Beckman Institute for Advanced Science & Technology and professor of psychology at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Thomas Kuech, professor and chair of the UW-Madison Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering and co-director of the Wisconsin Materials Institute.

Paul Ludden, a former UW-Madison professor of biochemistry and current professor of biological sciences and provost and vice president for academic affairs at Southern Methodist University.

Marsha Mailick, UW-Madison interim vice chancellor for research and graduate education, former Waisman Center director, and professor in the area of social work research.

Review future topics and speakers

Tom Zinnen announced 2015 UW-Madison Science Expeditions Friday March 20-22nd, 2015.

Kristin Harmon suggested a speaker regarding Communications on campus and how it works.

Action Items

- Tom Zinnen will talk to John Richards regarding process for CASI news for posting to web pages

Adjourned at 3:00 pm

Next Meeting:

April 13th, 2015; 1:30-3:00pm
Bascom Rm 334

Future Minutes: Kristin Harmon

Respectfully Submitted,
Wayne Feltz