

ASEC Activities, September 18 – October 4, 2018

Announcements:

- The committee interest survey will be made available through the Committee Tracker later this month. Going forward, academic staff will be able to update their interests at any time through the tracker.
- The Annual Benefits Fair will be held on Tuesday, October 9, in Varsity Hall, Union South. In addition to the usual activities, there will be three TTC Project Update sessions held at the Benefits Fair on Tuesday, October 9, from 10:15 – 11:15, 12:45 – 1:45, and 4:30 – 5:30.
- The deadline for submission of Academic Staff Professional Development Grant applications is Friday, October 26.

Report:

- Chancellor Rebecca Blank met with ASEC and shared information on new building projects (Babcock Dairy Building, Chemistry Building). She also shared an overview of Foxconn projects. The Chancellor also discussed the report of the KKK Study Group from last year and some of its recommendations, which include ensuring that more marginalized voices in UW-Madison's history are presented and accessible. A Search and Screen Committee has been convened to hire a director for the project that will implement some of the recommendations. Chancellor Blank also talked about the proposed revisions to the policy on Program Productivity Monitoring from the Board of Regents.
- The TTC Project Team from the Office of Human Resources shared updates on the project. School/College/Division HR Reps have been invited to TTC Fundamentals Workshops. Several sessions on TTC will be presented at the upcoming Benefits Fair on October 9. OHR is also planning training sessions for subject matter experts who will review the standard job descriptions.
- Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Laurent Heller discussed a questionnaire on areas of administrative burden with ASEC, communication on special event parking, the one-page budget report and the RADAR data portal.
- Provost Sarah Mangelsdorf discussed the proposed revisions to the Board of Regents policy on Program Productivity Monitoring and its potential impacts on graduate programs. She also discussed the upcoming accreditation process, informing ASEC that a self-study will be submitted in January 2019, with a student survey to be administered that same month.
- Division of Continuing Studies Dean Jeff Russell and Assistant Director of Summer Term Aphra Mednick met with ASEC to discuss summer session outcomes. Areas of opportunity are early start students, financial aid, and student services like advising during the summer session.

- Mark Walters and Patrick Sheehan from the Office of Human Resources met with ASEC to discuss the Board of Regents resolution on sexual harassment and assault allegations. UW-Madison is developing its own policy changes to meet the guidance of the Board. Governance will be involved in the review of this new policy.
- ASEC received and reviewed the document prepared by the UW-Madison/UW-Extension Academic Staff Policy Review Working Group that identifies academic staff policy differences between UW-Extension and UW-Madison.

Nominations and Appointments

- Nominations
 - Mary Jo Wilson nominated for the Area Review Committee – Administration, Student Services, and Library
- Committees appointments:
 - Jim Franzone appointed to the Personnel Policies and Procedures Committee.
 - Heather Mc Fadden, Kevin Niemi, Dorothea Salo, and Deb Shapiro appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee on UW-Extension Academic Staff Shared Governance Transition Issues.