

Minutes

**Academic Staff Executive Committee
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 9, 2010
67 Bascom Hall**

Members Present: Daña Alder, Heather Daniels, Charlene Krembs, Mary Ray, Ben Rodriguez, Jim Steele, Valli Warren

Others Present: Kim Nolet, Eden Inoway-Ronnie, Barbara Lewis, Marc Turnes

Call to Order/Agenda Review

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Heather Daniels at 1:33 p.m.

Automatic Consent Business

ASEC minutes of Thursday, December 2nd, 2010 were approved with changes.

Announcements / Good Works

ASEC discussed a potential Brown Bag on student and staff mental health as it seems to be an increasingly important issue. Heather suggested including the Student Personnel Association (SPA) on such a program.

Guest: Kim Nolet - LLPC

LLPC is a shared governance committee which includes three Academic Staff, three Faculty, three Classified, and three students. This committee handles policy regarding UW Madison licensed products and works with licensing organizations and labor organizations on issues related to these products. These products are being produced by 528 in factories in 50 countries.

The Nike contract termination in April was the most recent major issue the LLPC has dealt with. The LLPC is also involved in evaluation of the Collegiate Licensing Company's code of conduct.

The LLPC has also been following the Alta Grassia Fair Trade label with interest. This licensee, with factories in the Dominican Republic is paying workers three times the average wage and allows workers to unionize. The LLPC hopes this business model proves effective; if it is, it will likely raise wages and working standards for rival factories in the Dominican Republic.

BUSINESS

Tracking Academic Staff Issues

Heather is looking for additional long term areas of interest concerning Academic Staff. Ideas proposed were Budget Committee, and the impending Efficiency Study.

Discussion of the Letter from Diversity Forum Panel

Discussion included:

- Segregation of staff decreasing diversity.
- Sensing a lack of importance in recruitment of diversity.

Heather will follow up with Donna Silver to schedule Luis to speak about diversity recruiting. Damon is scheduled for diversity discussion in February.

Approving Ad Hoc Committee and Charge

Ad Hoc Committee to Opposite Unit Clarification was approved; however changes were made to the new Ad Hoc Committee charge.

Motion to approve charge by Daña, seconded by Heather Daniels.

Transportation Resolution

ASEC reviewed and approved the resolution having made a few minor changes.

Jim Steele motioned to approve document as modified, Heather seconded.

Discuss Holiday Meeting Schedule

December 23rd canceled. ASEC meetings to meet January 6th and January 20th.

Review December 13th, 2010 Assembly Meeting Agenda

Next ASEC Meeting- For Decision

Agenda items to include:

- Tracking Academic Staff Issues
- Review ASA Planning Document
- Heather will draft a letter for the Efficiency Study

Mary Ray motioned Heather to send out Efficiency Study letter without review by ASEC by the January 6th meeting, seconded by Daña.

Provost Update – Eden Inoway-Ronnie

Eden indicated that the Provost had identified a list of Academic Staff candidates to be included in the CALS search committee. A list of candidates for the Nelson Institute search is forthcoming.

The Provost was presenting on the Madison Initiative for Undergraduates to the Board of Regents.

BUSINESS - Continued

Motion to convene in closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)

- **CALS and IES Searches**

General Reports

ASEC Chair – Heather Daniels

- MASA Brownbag: 38 attended discussion on current issues.
- ASM inquiry discussed formation a new website issues committee.
- Heather will follow-up the two appointees to the Textbook Committee.
- ASEC will announce the new Ad Hoc committee at ASA 12/13/2010 meeting and follow- up with a letter to all Academic Staff.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:35pm.

Minutes submitted by Marc Turnes, Office of the Secretary of the Academic Staff