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ASEC Meeting

February 17, 2011

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Bascom Hall Room No. 67

Members Present: Dana Alder, Heather Daniels, Barb Lewis, Ben Rodriguez, Jim Steele, Valli Warren

Members Absent: Charlene Krembs, Wayne Feltz, Mary Ray

Guests: George Weidner, Researcher, Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences,
Debbie Weber, Academic Department Supervisor, Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences,
Jason Keaton, Associate Researcher, Facilities Planning and Management
Peter Pokrandt, Sr. systems Programmer, Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences,
Kevin Braun, Information Process, Center for Climatic Research
Elizabeth Feder, Associate Researcher, Population Health Sciences

1. Call To Order/Agenda

Heather – Facilitated introductions of all ASEC members and guests.

2. Budget Repair Bill

Joint finance committee passed with amendments, but nothing substantial was included. LTE's are still be eligible to obtain benefits. 14 democrats have left Senate. Wisconsin Eye has continuous coverage for information. Heather distributed informational links.

Discussion from ASEC and their perspectives on repair bill. Ben Rodriguez acknowledged Heather's interview on WORT radio station.

General Discussion

Lively discussion ensued. Some highlights included as following:

- Concern regarding impact of taking furloughs **and** Repair Bill.
- 18% of UW budget comes from state.
- Academic staff has the lowest number of full time employees that are on GPR funds.
- Fairness issues are at stake here...lowest wage-earners impacted the most.

3. New Badger Partnership

Heather discussed the memo leaked to press from Bidy to Mike Haupsch – making UW-Madison a public authority, just like UW Hospitals is a public authority.

Discussion followed, highlights:

- Concern over the possible decoupling of wages from the faculty.
- Tuition increases.
- Pros and cons of being part of the UW System.

Meeting adjourned – 3:45 PM

Respectfully submitted by Mary Johansen