

## **ASEC Activities: November 14 – December 8**

### **Announcements**

- The date for the 2018 Academic Staff Institute is March 15, 2018. Registration is currently open.
- The deadline for nominations for both the UW-Madison Academic Staff Excellence Awards and the UW System Regents Academic Staff Awards is Friday, January 12, 2018.
- You can find more information on both ASI and the Excellence Awards at the academic staff website.

### **Report**

- ASEC learned that the Campus Planning Committee has prioritized the Bascom Hill utility project and the Vet Med building as its top two projects. The renovation of McArdle lab was also discussed by the CPC.
- ASEC met with Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration Laurent Heller. He reported concerns about the US tax bill passed by the U.S. Senate. Graduate education could be severely impacted by some of the policy changes in it. Pay minima for teaching assistants and project assistants will be increased next year. The VCFA is also beginning a search for an Associate Vice Chancellor for Finance. This is a new position, and duties will include oversight of Auxiliary Operations Analysis, the Budget Office, and Business Services. The VCFA office is working on its strategic plan, a draft of which has been shared with ASEC. The VCFA will also be forming a Protest Oversight Group. A call for interested participants went out on December 8.
- ASEC met with Provost Mangelsdorf, and she discussed the UW Cooperative Extension merger. Casey Nagy and Heidi Zoerb are leading the effort. The searches for Chief Information Officer and Vice Provost for Libraries are underway. ASEC also had a discussion with the Provost about the recent campus climate articles that have been published.
- ASEC met with Mary Luther about the listening sessions for the Title and Total Compensation Study. There has been a great deal of feedback from the sessions that needs to be analyzed and incorporated into the family/sub-family documents.
- ASEC met with Casey Nagy to discuss the UW-Extension move to UW-Madison and to discuss how governance is going to be involved in the effort.
- ASEC met with Vice Provost for Faculty and Staff Michael Bernard-Donals to discuss the recent Academic Staff Chat on the research enterprise and the tracking of sexual harassment reports.

### **Nominations and Appointments**

ASEC made the following committee appointments:

- Budget Committee – Amy Wilson
- Communications Committee – Jennifer Farley
- Dean of Students Advisory Committee – Chris Butler
- Professional Development and Recognition Committee – Adam Huffman

ASEC made the following committee nominations:

- Humanities/Social Sciences Area Review Committee – Deb Pierce
- Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Search and Screen Committee – Cindy Holzmann, Regina Lowery, and Mary Possin