

UWM-University Staff Council

February 20, 2018

LUBAR N130

MINUTES

PRESENT: R. Badger, M. Bussian, S. Butkovic, L. Eastman, S. Kennedy, M. Maass, T. Nation, M. Oddo, J. Peshut, P. Reilly, S. Yasaitis

ABSENT: D. Rasmussen, L. Thibault

EXCUSED: P. Osheim

GUESTS: Chancellor M. Mone and M. Bliha Her, J. Forbeck, B. Gehring, V. Gonzalez, K. Kindt, C. Larson (UW-Washington County), B. Lord, J. Pazorski, J. Rentmeester, S. Ruditys, T. Schmechel, R. Wahl

- I. Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m.
- II. Approval of minutes for January 16, 2018-The minutes were approved as submitted.
- III. Chancellor's update-The Chancellor discussed the restructuring with the USC. It will be a phased in approach with much of the current focus on getting things in place for the changeover in 2018-2019 (starting July 1). In addition to the restructuring big projects on campus are moving forward. The capital campaign has reached over \$189 million and looks to complete its goal by Summer 2018. UWM is working on Freshwater and Health Care alliances to further relationships with the community and develop partnerships for internships for our students and increase UWM's visibility in the community.
- IV. Chair's update-Work continues across campus as was previously discussed.
- V. UWM/UW Colleges reorganization update-See Chancellor's note above.
- VI. Search and Screen Update-The final candidate for L&S is on campus today. J. Peshut and P. Reilly were able to attend the presentations by the other candidates. The council hopes a good candidate is put in the position. P. Akers sent a report to the council via email. The candidates will be brought to the campus in March and decision will be made after visits are completed.
- VII. Elections-L. Thibault-Laurie was not at the meeting. An announcement for elections has gone out to campus. Elections will be held in April. Winners of the election will be invited to the May meeting for the election of next year's officers of the Council.
- VIII. All University Staff Meeting update-An updated agenda will be sent to all university staff.
- IX. IT update-P. Reilly-The ITPC is moving ahead with changes to the password policy. Discussion about the centralized campus IT showed concern over problems that current IT services had with resolution of issues. P. Reilly will request ~~send~~ agendas and minutes be

sent to the Secretary of the University's office so ~~that it-the is more~~ information is available to campus.

- X. US Outstanding Awards update-L. Eastman-A reminder will be sent to campus about awards. The deadline is soon for submissions.
- XI. Shared Governance member reports (i.e. APBC, EBC, PEC, etc.)-PEC-Lubar Center for Entrepreneurship has begun construction. There will continue to be parking behind the building. Guests to campus will park in the Pavilion and will take a shuttle to the Welcome center.

Search and Screen for L&S Dean have brought candidates to campus and is finalizing their decisions. Final meetings with groups will be Week of February 26.

- XII. Other Business-Conversion of University Staff to Academic Staff-J. Peshut attended the presentation on converting some staff (exempt status) to Academic Staff. It potentially would affect up to 160 staff members. Those that choose to convert their position have been notified of the option. Those who may choose to convert their position have been notified of the option. The employee may exercise the option at his or her discretion. of the option how the position would change when it would convert to Academic Staff. ~~It is up to the discretion of the option how the position would change when it would convert to Academic Staff.~~ The presentation was made to answer questions of those that could be affected.
- XIII. Adjournment-The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.