

UWM-University Staff Council

FEBRUARY 19, 2019

UWM LUBAR HALL N440

MINUTES

PRESENT: R. Badger, S. Butkovic, G. Dukes, L. Eastman, S. Kennedy, T. Nation, P. Osheim, L. Perryman, J. Peshut, D. Rasmussen, P. Reilly, R. Sauers, S. Yasaitis

ABSENT: M. Maass

GUEST: M. Mone (Chancellor)

- I. Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 10:06 a.m.
- II. Approval of minutes for January 15, 2019-The minutes were approved as previously amended.
- III. Chancellor's update-The chancellor updated the committee on the campus. The budget is moving forward to the legislature for review. The Governor will announce his budget proposal February 28, 2019. The campus initiatives of Enrollment Management and Partnerships are going well. The Freshwater Collaborative headed by UWM and working with all UW-System campuses has been forwarded to the State Legislature for funding allocation. The Chancellor will keep the committee informed of the latest developments as they become available.
- IV. Chair's Report-Chancellor's Employee Learning & Development Advisory Committee-Chair Yasaitis has been asked to join a new System and Campus initiative that addresses training and development. The committee will meet to discuss what issues face faculty and staff. The first meeting is February 27. Chair Yasaitis will update the committee at the next meeting.
- V. Climate and Information Committee Bylaws-The committee unanimously approved the bylaws for the Climate and Information Committee. They will be an official standing committee of the

University Staff Senate starting July 1, 2019 and forward. If they have openings on the committee, it will be included under other on the Election ballot. The committee will be included with the Preference sheets starting with the 2020 election cycle.

- VI. Inclement Weather policy-The committee discussed the University's latest issues with inclement weather and the confusing distribution of information about the closing of campus. After discussion the committee agreed to draft an email to campus administration to address the policy and request leave be restored to those that had to use it. Chair Yasaitis will send the draft to the committee for feedback before sending on to campus administration.
- VII. UWS Policy 1030.A part 4.ii Email accounts—This was postponed until the next meeting as the policy is being discussed and may be revised.
- VIII. Member reports/updates-The US Codification Committee has concluded its business for this year and will not meet again until next Fall unless pressing business needs to be addressed.

The US Awards Committee has sent out the call to campus. This year direct submission to the US Awards committee gives nominators more flexibility when nominating candidates. The committee is reviewing workloads of Award Nominees to see if there is a pattern of excessive workloads for University Staff and if there is something that is tangible will write a report for campus administration to address issues.

US Nominations committee has sent out the preference sheets several times with the close of the preferences ending in February. The committee will meet in March to finalize the University Staff Ballot based on preference sheet submissions and voting will be in March. Chair Yasaitis and Campus Administration is working to coordinate a computer lab to facilitate those without access to computers time to fill out the preference sheets and to vote.
- IX. Other Business-There was no other business.
- X. Adjournment-The meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

