UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MILWAUKEE FACULTY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 18, 2019; 2:30 p.m.; Curtin 175

President pro tem John Reisel called the Faculty Senate Meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

I. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

1. Provost's Report

Provost Britz provided an update on the Higher Learning Commission midterm accreditation report. He announced the appointment of the new College of Health Sciences Dean Dr. Timothy K. Behrens and thanked the search committee and interim Dean Ray Fleming. He updated the senate on the other ongoing searches including the search for the Director of the Libraries, the Director of the Office of Central Advising, and the Co-Director of the Northwestern Mutual Data Science Institute. The Provost reminded the senate to submit their outside activity reports by April 30th. He discussed possible changes to the criteria for R1 status and announced that forty-five faculty hires/promotions were submitted to the Board of Regents and that UWM's Bike to Campus Day will be held on Wednesday, April 24th.

- 2. University Committee Report: Kristian O'Connor, Chair The report is attached.
- 3. Academic Planning & Budget Committee Report: Tina Freiburger, Co-Chair No report.
- 4. Academic Staff Committee Report: Kristin Roosevelt, Chair No report.
- 5. Physical Environment Committee Report: LeRoy Stoner, Chair The report is attached.
- 6. Admissions & Records Policy Committee Report: Dietmar Wolfram, Chair The report is attached.
- 7. Student Association (SA) Report: Alyssa Molinski, President
 - A. Molinski read the following statement from the Student Appropriations Committee (SAC): Through much feedback from Graduate RSOs, the committee decided to overturn our initial decision to not fund these grants as SAC understands that the RSOs affected by this initial decision did not get trained to not apply for such a funding request. SAC also understands that this is an issue much larger than SAC itself and they plan on working with the Student Involvement office closely in the future in order to not only stop the creation of RSOs formed only on the basis of receiving travel funding, but also to start changing the conversation on how these grants should be utilized. For questions or concerns, please contact the SAC chair, Mary Greuel, at megreuel@uwm.edu

Molinski also invited a faculty member to join the SA's Independent Election Commission. Interested faculty should contact Molinski at molinsk3@uwm.edu.

II. SENATE ROLL CALL

Secretary of the University Trudy Turner conducted the roll call for the Senate. There were 35 senators and Parliamentarian Richard Marcus present. A quorum of the Faculty Senate was present.

III. AUTOMATIC CONSENT

1. The minutes of the March 14, 2019 Faculty Senate meeting were approved as distributed.

IV. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

1. <u>Document 3228</u>, 03/14/19: Request for Authorization to Implement a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering at UW-Milwaukee. Sent to UWM Administration, 03/15/19.

- 2. <u>Document 3229</u>, 03/14/19: Request for Authorization to Implement a Master of Arts in the Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages and Applied Linguistics at UW-Milwaukee. Sent to UWM Administration, 03/15/19.
- 3. <u>Document 3206R1</u>, 03/14/19: Recommendation of the Graduate Faculty Committee (GFC) to Revise Policies and Procedures for the Development, Structure, and Administration of Graduate Certificate Programs. Sent to UWM Administration, 03/15/19.
- 4. <u>Document 3196R1</u>, 03/14/19: Recommendation of the Graduate Course & Curriculum Subcommittee and the GFC to Revise Requirements for Graduate Credit in Graduate Level Courses and Combined Undergraduate/Graduate Level Courses. Sent to UWM Administration, 03/15/19.

V. BUSINESS

1. Faculty Document 3207R2: Recommendation of the Graduate Faculty Committee (GFC) to Revise the Policy on the Review of Certificate Programs. A senator moved adoption of FD 3207R2. GFC Chair John Boyland presented the document.

MOTION: To approve FD 3207R2. The motion was seconded and approved with a vote of 28-yes; 0-no; and 1-abstention.

2. Faculty Document 2137R5: Recommendation of the Faculty Senate Subcommittee on the Evaluation of Administrators (SSEA) to Revise the Policy for Faculty Evaluation of Administrators. A senator moved adoption of FD 2137R5. SSEA Chair Dev Misra presented the document.

MOTION: To approve FD 2137R5. The motion was seconded and approved with a vote of 31-yes; 0-no; and 0-abstention.

3. SAAP 31: Recommendation of the PAC, the APC, and Legal Affairs to Revise the Incomplete Grades Policy. A senator moved adoption of SAAP 31. APC Member John Boyland presented the document.

Discussion took place on the UW System policy on emails for ad hoc academic staff.

MOTION: To approve SAAP 31. The motion was seconded and approved with a vote of 25-yes; 5-no; and 1-abstention.

4. Faculty Document 3230: UWM Faculty Senate Resolution to Count Service to UWM AAUP as Service to UWM. A senator moved adoption of FD 3230. UWM AAUP Chapter Representative Rachel Buff presented the document.

MOTION: To approve FD 3230. The motion was seconded and approved with a vote of 17-yes; 10-no; and 3-abstention.

- 5. Report from Student Affairs. Chief Student Affairs Officer Kelly Haag presented. The presentation is available at the following link: https://bit.ly/2GxYi5t
- 6. Report from the Dean of Students Office. Dean of Students (DOS) Adam Jussel presented. The presentation is available at the following link: https://bit.ly/2IsKN9r

Discussion took place on protocol for dealing with students involved in a hearing or other process. DOS Jussel recommended that faculty contact the DOS Office in these situations.

- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS None.
- VII. GENERAL GOOD AND WELFARE None.
- **VIII. ADJOURNMENT** -The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Report to the Faculty Senate Thursday, April 18, 2019

University Committee (UC) - Kristian O'Connor, Chair

- 1. The UC has met four times since the last Senate meeting.
- 2. The UC has continued to monitor the dean searches, the Library Director search, budget, and campus enrollment through its meetings with the Chancellor and the Provost.
- 3. There has been continuing conversations regarding campus disciplinary procedures. After discussion with the Provost, Chancellor, and campus legal, there were no recommendations to alter the current policy language. There was agreement that there should be strong communication between the Provost and deans when potential disciplinary and dismissal cases arise. There was also agreement to ensure there is adequate institutional support for affected students and departments in misconduct cases.
- 4. The UC met with John McCune, the SA Vice President, and Kristin Woodward from the library regarding expansion of the use of Open textbooks and other free course resources for students. While the UC felt that creating a policy mandating such resources was not feasible, the committee was supportive of ways to educate faculty on the availability of resources, such as potentially including a presentation in the August Chair's retreat. John McCune is planning on developing an SA Senate resolution advocating for expanded use of such materials, and the UC was supportive of bringing that resolution when passed to this body for its endorsement.
- 5. Mark Schwartz reported on progress of the MORFS initiative (Milwaukee Organization Representing the Faculty Senate). The Governor's chief legal counsel indicated support for employee deductions for MORFS to UW-System. UWM Legal Affairs and campus administration have been informed. A document describing MORFS and asking for additional authority to move forward will be presented at the May Senate meeting.
- 6. More information on these topics, as well as up-to-date information on UC activities can be found at https://uwm.edu/ucnews.

Physical Environment Committee (PEC) – LeRoy Stoner, Chair

Since my last report the PEC has met on January 16th, March 13, and April17

At the January meeting the PEC heard Director of Transportation Service Prasanna Nanda present the 2019-20 budget. He explained year's budget must address debt service that was just over \$2M for 2018-19 and a projected revenue loss of about of \$150K. Rates are being adjusted to minimize individual impact. The proposed budget was approved unanimously by the PEC.

The February meeting was cancelled due to lack of agenda items.

At the March meeting three naming requests were approved that are still waiting public announcement. Kristine Surerus reported that campus is awaiting final scope documents for NWQ B and a signed contract for similar documents for the Chemistry Building. Campus Space Committee will be discussing potential locations of the Integrated Support Services Hubs 2 and 3 with Kathy Heath and Tim Danielson.

Concerns were voiced that some of the signage on campus is not consistent with the smoking policy.

At the April Meeting the Committee received an update on the VoIP-Skype for Business software that will replace the wired telephone system on campus. Rollout for the campus will likely begin in the fall and proceed by building. Exact dates are subject to how well Microsoft and AT&T can coordinate the technical aspects and retain current phone numbers.

The PEC anticipates a May 1 meeting that will include consideration of additional naming requests.

Admissions & Records Policy Committee (ARPC) - Dietmar Wolfram, Chair

The Admissions Records and Policy Committee (ARPC) has met three times during the 2018-19 academic year.

Dietmar Wolfram was elected chair for 2018-19 at the first meeting.

The committee reviewed relevant policy document changes arising from the merger of UW-Waukesha and UW-Washington County into UWM.

The committee discussed the ongoing relevance of the current functions of the committee and whether these functions still align with the current campus processes for admissions and records policy.