

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MILWAUKEE  
FACULTY SENATE MEETING  
MINUTES**

**Thursday, January 23, 2020; 2:30 p.m.; Curtin 175**

Chancellor Mark Mone called the Faculty Senate Meeting to order at 2:31 p.m.

**I. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Chancellor Mone introduced special guest UW System President Ray Cross.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to go into committee of the whole at 2:31 p.m. The motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

MOTION: It was moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to extend time by five minutes.

MOTION: It was moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to rise from the committee of the whole at 3:19 p.m.

**II. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

1. Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Mone reported on his 2020 vision which focuses on UWM's purpose, challenges, forces for acceleration, and strategic direction. More details on the vision will be distributed to campus in the coming days.

MOTION: It was moved, seconded, and unanimously approved to extend time by two minutes.

The Chancellor also discussed his fundraising initiatives and the recently formed Think Tank 2030+. Discussion took place on the need to capitalize on UWM's R1 status.

2. Provost's Report

Provost Britz reminded the senate that performance evaluations must be completed by March 31, 2020. He reported on enrollments and meetings with the schools and colleges regarding what can be done in the classroom to help with student retention.

Provost Britz invited Professor John Reisel to report on his initiative regarding promotions from associate to full professor as part of the mentorship program. The initiative resulted from a recent survey of associate professors. A workgroup of primarily associate professors and some full professors will be formed to examine issues raised by the survey.

Provost Britz confirmed that the annual performance evaluation is not intended to include the level of detail of post-tenure reviews.

3. University Committee Report: Kathleen Dolan, Chair

The report is attached.

4. Academic Planning and Budget Committee Report: Michael Carvan, Member

The report is attached.

5. Academic Staff Committee Report: Leigh Wallace, Chair

The report is attached.

6. Research Policy Advisory Committee Report: Robin Mello, Chair

The report is attached.

7. Student Association (SA) Report: Connor Mathias, President

No report.

### **III. DETERMINE EXISTENCE OF QUORUM FOR THE FACULTY MEETING**

A quorum of the faculty was not present. A meeting of the Faculty Senate convened.

### **IV. SENATE ROLL CALL**

Secretary of the University Trudy Turner conducted the roll call for the Senate. There were 40 senators and Parliamentarian Richard Marcus present. A quorum of the Faculty Senate was present.

### **V. AUTOMATIC CONSENT**

1. The minutes of the December 12, 2019 Faculty Senate meeting were approved as distributed.
2. Report on Faculty Senate Attendance for Semester I, 2019-20, FD 3266, was received.
3. Summary of Faculty Legislation for Semester I, 2019-20, FD 3267, was received.

### **VI. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT – None.**

### **VII. BUSINESS**

1. Faculty Document 3268: Recommendation of the College of Nursing (CON) to Request Approval for Voting Privileges at CON Faculty and Staff Meetings for Two Full-Time Academic Staff Members. A senator moved adoption of FD 3268. The motion was seconded. CON Executive Committee Chair Teresa Johnson presented the document.

MOTION: To approve FD 3268. The motion was seconded and approved with a vote of 27-yes; 2-no; and 3-abstention.

2. Report on Finance & Administrative Affairs. Vice Chancellor Robin Van Harpen presented. The presentation is posted at the following link: <https://bit.ly/2RzorXi>

Discussion took place regarding campus safety within buildings and the possibility of demolishing nonfunctional buildings.

### **VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.**

### **IX. GENERAL GOOD AND WELFARE – None.**

### **X. ADJOURNMENT -The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.**

**Report to the Faculty Senate**  
**Thursday, January 23, 2020**

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**University Committee (UC) – Kathleen Dolan, Chair**

1. The UC has met twice since the last Faculty Senate meeting on December 12th.
2. We continue to monitor campus activities through our regular meetings with the Provost and Chancellor.
3. We continue to monitor the activities of the 2030 work group. The co-chairs of that group will report to the Senate this spring.
4. The UC continues to monitor the search for a new dean of the Helen Bader School of Social Welfare.
5. UC continues to try to fill vacancies on standing committees.
6. We have been working with Tim Danielson and the Provost to learn more about how the new System policy calling for annual evaluation of all campus employees, including faculty, will be implemented.
7. We continue to monitor the process of the TTC project on campus in consultation with the Academic Staff Committee.
8. More information on these topics, as well as up-to-date information on UC activities can be found at <https://uwm.edu/ucnews>.

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**Academic Planning and Budget Committee (APBC) – Michael Carvan, Member**

The APBC met on Thursday Dec. 19 and considered a proposal for a Bachelor's of Arts in Computer Science. This new program would provide students with marketable skills alongside an existing major, or two minor areas. Dr. Ethan Munson from the College of Engineering and Applied Science attended the meeting to answer questions about the proposed program. Overall, the proposal was well received by the committee and positive comments were forwarded to Dev Venugopalan, Vice Provost, Academic Affairs.

The Budget Advisory Team, including the co-chairs of APBC, met on Friday, December 19 to discuss and finalize the adjusted budgets for Central Support and Infrastructure Units.

The APBC met on Thursday January 9 to listen to a presentation by Budget Advisory Team covering the final budget recommendations for Schools and Colleges as well as Central Support and Infrastructure Units. In January, the final budget recommendations will be communicated to Deans to start the process of developing cost cutting or revenue generating plans for their respective units.

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**Academic Staff Committee (ASC) – Leigh Wallace, Chair**

Since the last Faculty Senate meeting, the ASC has only met twice -- December 16 and January 6 -- due to the winter holidays. The Academic Staff Senate met on January 14 to approve the system changes to our Chapter 105 (System policy 1254) and Chapter 109.

Our AS performance self-evaluations were due to supervisors on January 15 and should be reviewed with the employee within 30 days.

We have set our spring agenda to focus on, of course, the TTC project and its impact on academic staff -- I was pleased to hear President Cross say today that the Senior lecturer title would not be eliminated. We will also be learning more about student services and support areas, the chancellor's strategic initiatives, the Think Tank 2030+ group, and how we can offer input and support -- as well as updates from other areas across campus.

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## **Research Policy Advisory Committee (RPAC) – Robin Mello, Chair**

The RPAC met four times between March 2019 and December 2019.

During this period, the committee continued reviewing drafts of the document, “Roles and Responsibilities in Developing and Managing Extramural and Selected Intramural Sponsored Projects.” The purpose of the document is to clarify roles and responsibilities of principal investigators, schools and colleges, departments, the Office of Sponsored Programs, and other entities involved in the development of research proposals and the management of awards.

The committee also discussed a possible revision of its charter with the addition of the College of General Studies.

The committee received presentations on the Lubar Entrepreneurship Center and the UWM Research Foundation, on the role of the UWM Libraries in supporting research, and on a subset of results of the Grad SERU (Graduate Student Experience in the Research University) survey focusing on doctoral students.

The committee also receives updates or reports from the Office of Research at each meeting. These included

- A preview of changes to internal funding programs necessitated by budget reductions,
- A presentation on the areas of research administration involving compliance with federal and/or Board of Regents requirements
- Effect of the new budget model on research support
- Progress on school/college research plans