

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
September 1, 2020
Meeting conducted through TEAMS
1:00 pm

Present: B. Arnold, K. Dolan, I. Hu, D. Misra, J. Reisel, N. Rothfels, J. Snethen
Special Guest: Provost Johannes Britz

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The meeting was called to order by K. Dolan at 1:02 p.m. The agenda was approved.

- I. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD- None
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the August 25, 2020 were approved.
- III. SPECIAL GUESTS – Provost Johannes Britz
 - A. Provost Britz discussed the best platforms for communication with students.
 - B. Four implementation groups, recommended by the 2030 Think Tank, are forming to address the undergraduate experience, GER courses, program realignment, and research.
 - C. Enrollment is down about 5% overall, although freshman enrollment is down about 15%.
 - D. The pandemic monitoring team meets every day. There are nine matrices to determine how the campus is doing. The spring will probably look much like the fall.
 - E. We are experiencing the largest ever budget cut.
 - F. Social justice issues are a high priority.
- IV. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS – K. Dolan reported:
 - A. The system representatives and Governor Thompson met. If a campus needs to close because of Covid-19, the decision will be made at the system level.
 - B. The graduate school deans are meeting with faculty representatives to talk about faculty recruitment and retention. Nine new faculty were hired this year. On average 35-45 faculty leave or retire each year.
- V. MEMBERS’ REPORTS –
 - A. I. Hu will be the representative to the GFC.
- VI. NEW BUSINESS-

VII. OLD BUSINESS- None

VIII. PERSONNEL MATTERS-

Per. Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) (f), it was moved and seconded to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters. J. Reisel was excused. Upon roll call vote closed session began at 1:36 p.m. The committee reconvened in open session at 1:44 p.m.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Chancellor Mone will be the guest next week.

X. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

^aThe Committee may go into closed session to discuss personnel matters according to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(f)