

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE  
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
May 18, 2021  
Teams Meeting  
1:00 pm

Present: B. Arnold, K. Dolan, I Hu, D. Misra, J. Reisel, N. Rothfels, J. Snethen  
Special Guests: Provost J. Britz; Vice Chancellor Robin Van Harpen, Interim Chief of Police Brian Switala  
Others Present: Professor J. Nguyen, AAUP Representative; Professor L. Mkandawire-Valhmu

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The meeting was called to order by K. Dolan at 1:03 p.m. The agenda was approved.

- I. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD- None
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the May 11, 2021 meeting were approved.
- III. SPECIAL GUESTS<sup>a</sup>- Provost Britz; Vice Chancellor R Van Harpen and Interim Chief B. Switala
  - A. Provost J. Britz
    1. Provost Britz discussed school and college reorganization. The Office of Research and the Graduate School will be together. The Health colleges have been charged with determining what they will do. Additional changes will include SARUP, SOIS and the School of Education. There are new interim deans for the Graduate School, Freshwater Sciences, and PSOA.
  - B. Vice Chancellor R. Van Harpen, Interim Chief of Police B. Switala
    1. The job posting for the Chief of Police will take place after July 1. Two members of the Police-Community Advisory Council will be on the search committee.
    2. Interim Chief Switala has been with UWM since 2000. He has participated in Coffee with a Cop and in other partnerships with the Schools and Colleges. The campus police force may change with new leadership, but Interim Chief Switala will continue to be open with the staff.
    3. Interim Chief Switala raised the question of what kind of support does the public or campus want from the campus police department. The members of the force try to guide individuals to other resources if appropriate. They are always looking for additional training opportunities.
    4. Currently the police force has 45 positions, 34 of whom are police officers. The force is not fully staffed. Interim Chief Switala will provide

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<sup>a</sup> The Committee may go into closed session to discuss personnel matters according to Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(f)

additional information on the diversity of the staff.

IV. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS –

- A. K. Dolan reported on school and college reorganization.
- B. K. Dolan reported that the Expanded Cabinet discussed the return to campus in the Fall. Even though the plan is to be on campus, there is a back up plan if necessary. The concern is hybrid classes and work load.

V. MEMBERS' REPORTS –

- A. J. Reisel reported that the IRASRC met.
- B. N. Rothfels reported that Associate Vice Chancellor Chia Vang and Provost J. Britz will attend the June meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS- None

VII. OLD BUSINESS-

- A. Discussion continued regarding governance committees.

VIII. PERSONNEL MATTERS-

X FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –Chancellor Mone will attend the next meeting.

XI ADJOURNMENT –The meeting was adjourned at 2:33 p.m.