UWM University Staff Senate Climate and Information Committee

Tuesday, 13 July 2021 | 10:30 AM (via Teams)

<u>Minutes</u>

Present: Roy Badger, Adam McLimans, Kate Negri, Charisse Sekyi, Kate Valerius, Robert Wahl and Cynthia Warneke

Absent: None Guests: None

- I. *Call to Order*: The meeting was called to order at 10:32 AM by Kate V.
- II. *Welcome and Introductions*: All were welcomed. New committee members, followed by current members, each said hello and provided background on their respective roles in UWM, including where they work (dept. and location) and their longevity.
- III. *Review of Bylaws*: Prior to the meeting, the current bylaws for this committee were shared with all members. The reduction to 7 members, goal of having one meeting every month, as well as the annual report were pointed out. There were no questions nor any particular discussion about the bylaws.
- IV. Election of Chair and Secretary: With a motion made by Roy Badger (2nd provided by Rob Wahl), Kate Valerius was nominated as the Chair and recording secretary, for this committee, for AY 2021. Vote was unanimous (with abstention by Kate Valerius though).

At some point in the future, Adam McLimans could possibly assist Kate with some work related to the "recording secretary," based on his involvement with 3 US committees, plus his job duties. Adam will notify this committee if/when appropriate, for further action/voting.

V. Establishment for Days/Dates/Times/Modality for Future Meetings: Starting in August, meetings for AY 2021 for the UWM US Climate and Information Committee will occur on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, virtually (via Teams), starting at 10:00 AM (through 11:00 AM at the latest).

Kate Valerius will create a Teams invite for the meetings, thereby lifting that request and need from staff in the UWM Secretary of the University's Office.

VI. Update and Discussion Re: Brown Bag Series: K. Valerius reported that the first presentation for this series ("Leading from Any Level") had been offered twice (in late May and in late June of 2021) and was well received by those who participated. The goal is to have Stan Yasaitis share this with ALL university staff and that it be provided twice during the Fall semester, both virtually, for up to 15 participants at each.

After discussion from this committee regarding next topics, Kate V. will reach out to Jaclyn Stoczanyn to see if the topic of "mentorship" and the presentation from one of her professional contacts/colleagues could be available and presented for use in the Brown Bag Series in Spring 2022.

- VII. *Additional Items*: There were no new items, no new business, or questions raised.
- VIII. *Adjournment*: The meeting ended and was adjourned, with thanks for participation, at 11:01 AM, by Kate Valerius.

Next meeting set for Tuesday, 10 August 2021.