THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES November 23, 2021

Teams Meeting 1:00 pm

Present: Professors E. Bornstein, D. Misra, V. Moerchen, G. Rodger, N. Rothfels,

M. Schwartz, J. Snethen

Special Guest: J. Britz, K. Hildebrandt, N. Oswald, D. Venugopalan

Others Present: None

<u>CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> – The meeting was called to order by N. Rothfels at 1:03 p.m.

- I. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD None
- II. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> The minutes of the November 16, 2021 meeting were approved.

III. SPECIAL GUESTS^a

ASC Chair Nicole Oswald

- A. The ASC is seeking academic staff volunteers to serve on the TTC appeal committee.
- B. The ASC is working with administration on a pay progression plan document.
- C. The ASC is also looking at what issues may face academic staff with school and college realignment, such as committee representation and voting rights in new colleges.

Provost Johannes Britz and University Registrar Kristin Hildebrandt

A. The standardized scheduling policy was discussed. It is hoped to implement the new policy for the Fall 2023 semester. Concerns were expressed that the desires of students and instructors for class times not being fully taken into consideration. Additionally, the need for some programs to have non-standard class lengths or schedules; this would be handled by exceptions.

Associate Vice Chancellor Dev Venugopalan

A. The UC received an update on the GER reform from AVC Venugopalan. The workgroup is working towards recommending a GER model after receiving input from many groups across campus.

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

IV. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The last of the Vice Chancellor DEI candidates is interviewing today, and everyone is encouraged to provide their feedback on the candidates.
- B. Prof. John Heyward has agreed to serve on the Search & Screen Committee for the HR Director position.
- C. The announcement of the new police chief will be made in early December.
- D. N. Rothfels approved, on behalf of the UC, changes to the SAAP 10-12 (the Interim COVID policy) which only affected the dates for the mask mandate.
- E. N. Rothfels discussed with A&H Divisional Committee Chair Kelly Kirshtner changes that the A&H Divisional Committee is considering that would expand inclusion of publicly-engaged scholarship for tenure and promotion cases.

V. MEMBERS' REPORTS

- A. E. Bornstein reported that the AAFEC met and discussed the document addressing changes to the search and screen committee training. The AAFEC also would like to know more about how areas for opportunity hires are identified.
- VI. NEW BUSINESS None
- VII. OLD BUSINESS None
- VIII. <u>PERSONNEL MATTERS</u> None
- IX. <u>FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS</u> L. Hager, M. Brennan, and E. Liedhegner from the Caregiving and COVID taskforce will be at the November 30 meeting.
- XI. ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.