

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 10, 2022
Teams Meeting
1:00 pm

Present: Professors E. Bornstein, D. Misra, V. Moerchen, G. Rodger, N. Rothfels,
M. Schwartz, J. Snethen
Special Guests: M. Mone, J. Nesbitt
Others Present:

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The meeting was called to order by N. Rothfels at 1:01 p.m.

- I. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD – None
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the May 3, 2022 meeting were approved.
- III. SPECIAL GUESTS^a

Chancellor Mark Mone and Vice Chancellor Joan Nesbitt

- A. Chancellor Mone introduced Vice Chancellor for Development and Alumni Relations Joan Nesbitt.
 - B. Vice Chancellor Nesbitt described her background and current activities. She has been impressed by the talent at UWM, and the longevity of many of the faculty and staff at the university. Work is underway to prepare for the next comprehensive campaign; efforts include transitioning to new CRM software and reorganizing the Development and Alumni Relations staff.
 - C. Chancellor Mone believes that we will not lose any momentum in the transition from Provost Britz to Interim Provost Gronert. The search for the permanent Provost position will begin in the late summer or early fall.
 - D. The Vice Chancellor for Marketing, Communications, and University Relations search and screen committee will be re-started. Decisions on dean searches will be made soon.
 - E. Discussions with Regents and System representatives continue with regards to funding allocation in the System.
- IV. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - A. Scott Gronert has agreed to be the Interim Provost.

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

- B. The UW System Faculty Reps met on Friday. Topics of discussion included whether there should be someone reviewing UW System policies, the free speech survey, and meetings with incoming System President Rothman. Regarding the policy review issue, there was discussion whether the UC should review policy changes and provide feedback in the future. It was also thought that the UC and other UWM governance groups should meet with President Rothman in the fall.
- C. Jaime Cimpl-Weimer has completed the compilation of the data requested by the UC on faculty composition.

V. MEMBERS' REPORTS - None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. There was a discussion for how the University Committee will manage its workload in 2022-23. The committee decided that different roles normally handled by the Chair can be split up among members to reduce the workload on the Chair. Some of these roles are yet to be determined, but M. Schwartz will handle the Faculty Rep duties and meetings with campus leaders.
- B. Election of UC Chair for 2022-23: J. Snethen moved that Nigel Rothfels be elected chair for 2022-23. The motion was seconded by E. Bornstein, and passed on a voice vote.

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. Upon roll call vote, closed session began at 2:05 p.m. The committee reconvened in open session at 2:41 p.m.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Dean Brett Peters will be at the May 17 meeting. The committee will not meet on May 24.

X. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.