

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
October 10, 2023
LUB N456
1:00 pm

Present: Professors K. Dolan, M. Kavanaugh, K. Kirshner, R. Leson, L. McHenry, W. Otieno, G. Rodger
Excused: None
Others Present: D. Clark, M. Mone

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The meeting was called to order by K. Dolan at 1:00 p.m. The agenda was approved.

- I. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD – None
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the October 3, 2023 meetings were approved.
- III. SPECIAL GUESTS^a

Dave Clark, CCAT Lead

- A. Dave Clark met with the Student Association on Sunday to discuss the proposed GER reforms. The students did not like the current category labels and are open to revisions. The students also wanted the GER program to be more relevant to students.
- B. This morning, he met with the APCC and discussed many of the details of the proposed changes to GER, such as the prerequisite rule, the limit of 3 credits per course, and whether to have a laboratory requirement. The APCC asked him to return with a proposed policy for them to consider.

Chancellor Mark Mone

- A. There are a series of potentially controversial events from student organizations planned in the next couple of weeks. Some of these may test existing campus policies and how they are enforced.
- B. There was a discussion on the decision to cancel the Commencement Honors ceremony. A primary concern was the attrition during the ceremony by students leaving after receiving their honors cords. Moving forward, the individual colleges will have separate ceremonies for the distribution of the cords.
- C. Chancellor Mone provided an update on the efforts by the UW System to have the

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

- legislature restore the \$32M budget cut.
- D. There was a discussion about having a campus gathering/celebration in November, and the University Committee expressed support for the idea.

IV. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. K. Dolan met with Kay Eilers, Marc Young, and Alberto Maldanado. They discussed trying to build out programs to work with students from underrepresented minority students in high school to prepare them for college and how to better retain such students at UWM.
- B. K. Dolan met with Suzanne Boyd to discuss the issues with the course evaluation system. The software to be used works with Canvas and has met with success at other campuses in the UW System.

V. MEMBERS' REPORTS – None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. College of the Arts and Architecture Dean Seach & Screen Committee
The UC prepared a list of names for consideration by the Provost for the Chair of the Search & Screen Committee.
W. Otieno will serve as the UC representative on the committee.
- B. Simultaneous Service Interpretation
The UC decided that the simultaneous committee memberships prohibited by FD1087R3 will be applied beginning with the spring faculty elections, provided members were elected under the rules in place at the time.

VII. OLD BUSINESS – None

VIII. PERSONNEL MATTERS – None

- IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – The next UC meeting is on October 24, when ASC Chair Sue Stalewski will be present. Interpretation of the contractual notice period is a future agenda item.

- X. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.