

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE  
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
January 9, 2024  
Virtually on Microsoft Teams  
1:00 pm

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

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The meeting was called to order by K. Dolan at 1:01 p.m. The agenda was approved.

I. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD - None

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the December 12, 2023 meeting were approved.

III. SPECIAL GUESTS<sup>a</sup>

Chancellor Mark Mone

- A. Chancellor Mone provided an update on the agreement that had been reached regarding the implementation of the pay raise. The pay plan was approved by JCER and most employees will see the pay raise in their next pay check.
- B. Preparations for the next biennial budget have begun. Prioritizing projects on campus, including capital projects is underway.
- C. There is an ongoing discussion on the number of institutions of higher learning in Wisconsin, and their future. An article in today's *Chronicle of Higher Education* discusses the history and current state of higher education in Wisconsin.
- D. The Chancellor would like all of his direct reports to meet with each of the governance groups at least once a semester. In some cases, once-a-year meetings might be more appropriate, and it is ultimately up to the governance groups to determine how often they would like to meet with each individual.
- E. The Chancellor's residence will be sold. It is difficult to meet IRS regulations for the number of events that need to be hosted at the residence, and it is not particularly beneficial for UWM to retain the residence. This should not be taken as a sign that Chancellor Mone will be leaving UWM.

IV. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. K. Dolan reported that she and Dave Clark met with Provost Daire to brief him on

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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)

the state of GER reform and governance's role in the process. The provost will meet with the APCC in February, and the provost will discuss GER reform at the Faculty Senate in February or March.

- B. K. Dolan attended the emergency operations committee last week (as part of preparation for the RNC this summer). There have been discussions on how classes and other academic programs will be handled during the convention week. Instructors will be encouraged to teach on-line that week if possible.
- C. The Chancellor's Cabinet met last week, and a restructuring of the 2030 project was presented. The project is now going to be organized around four pillars of commitment, with the ongoing work falling under one of the pillars. There was also discussion on how to help connect employees better with campus and each other.

V. MEMBERS' REPORTS – None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Vice Provost Positions Search and Screen Committees

Suggestions for faculty representatives for the two Vice Provost searches were generated. K. Dolan will represent the UC on the VP for Faculty Affairs search. K. Kirshner will likely represent the UC on the VP for Academic Affairs search.

VII. OLD BUSINESS – None

VIII. PERSONNEL MATTERS – None

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – The next UC meeting is on January 23. ASC Chair Sue Stalewski will be attending.

X. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.