University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Academic Staff Senate

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 2:30 pm MS Teams MINUTES

Present:

M. Archer, A. Conrardy, N. Chin, T. Crary, K. Faust, L. Fleck, C. Fleider, S. Hayes, J. Herriges, K. Jahnke, K. Koch, E. Kuhnen, B. Lord, D. Lorge, P. Lucey, L. Meng, M. Murphy-Lee, K. O'Connell Valuch, J. Reindl, J. Rotier, A. Sandoval, S. Silet, A. Singer, S. Stalewski, J. Steinheiser, A. Stoddard, D. Van Kerkvoorde, H. Vara

Absent: None

Guests: Shannon Aylesworth, Andrew Daire, Makda Fessahaye, Scott Genung, Mark Mone

I. Call to Order. S. Stalewski called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm.

II. Automatic Consent.

A. Agenda was approved as presented.

B. Minutes – January 9, 2024 were approved as presented.

III. Chair's Report.

IV. Guests.

- A. Provost A. Daire reported enrollments in comparison to spring last year are down 0.1%
- B. AVC for HR M. Fessahaye reported on current HR initiatives and happenings. These included student employment and information on how to recruit student employees and post jobs on Handshake through the Center for Student Experience & Talent's webpage; Employee Learning and Development webpage where various opportunities are available to support employee learning and development in the areas of: Leadership Development, Faculty and Instructional Staff Development, Technology Development, Individual Personal & Professional Development, and New Employee Development.
- C. CIO S. Genung provided information on the current issues facing IT and infrastructure on campus. He discussed potential challenges that UWM will face and how campus IT can help through improving adaptivity and increasing creativity. Using these two goals IT can develop areas which better help students and staff move forward. A data retreat will be held in March that will focus on strategies, goals, metrics, and optimization. Individuals who are interested in attending should contact CIO Genung.
- D. Director, ARC, S. Aylesworth presented on the Accessibility Resource Center and concerns that student requests for accommodations are not being complied with.
- E. Chancellor M. Mone reported the System chancellors will be discussing several items including funding priorities for the next biennial budget, the size of the proposed tuition increases, student mental health, and the future direction of the freshwater

collaborative. The sale of the Chancellor's residence will be considered at the Regents meeting. In March, there will be a campus town hall that will provide updates on several items including the budget. SDS will be continuing protests regarding their demands. SDS representatives have agreed to meet with the Dean of Students to open a dialogue on their demands. UWM is working on AI Investments and on how they can work strategically at UWM.

- V. *Unfinished Business.* None.
- VI. New Business. None.
- VII. Committee Reports.
 - A. Standing Committees None.
 - B. Subcommittees NIAS is offering work breaks for all academic staff.
- VIII. General Good and Welfare. None.
- IX. The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 pm.