

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE  
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
June 7, 2024  
LUB N456  
10:00 a.m.

Present: Professors K. Dolan, M. Kavanaugh, K. Kirshner, R. Leson, L. McHenry, W. Otieno, G. Rodger  
Excused: None  
Others Present: L. Hager, B. Lang, T. Szabo

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The meeting was called to order by K. Dolan at 10:01 a.m. The agenda was approved.

- I. PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD – None
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The minutes of the May 20, 2024 meeting were approved.
- III. SPECIAL GUEST<sup>a</sup> - None
- IV. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT & ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - A. There was a discussion on what can and cannot be done with regards to outside filming and recording of the UC meetings.
  - B. The comment period for the CGS Discontinuation proposal has ended. The comments have been made available to the UC, and a set of responses assembled by Dave Clark have also been distributed to the UC.
- V. MEMBERS’ REPORTS – None
- VI. NEW BUSINESS – None
- VII. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. CGS Discontinuation Proposal

The UC provided their impressions with the comments received. Questions were raised on the definition of a “program” and how RPD 20-24 defines this term. The question to be answered is if CGS fits the Regent Policy definition of a program, which is what is maintained by the UWM administration.

More information was requested regarding the Bridge program, and how it relates to CGS. A history of the Bridge program should be included in the UC report. L.

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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)

Hager encouraged the UC to get the perspectives of both the main campus and CGS regarding the Bridge program.

Another common thread in the comments regards the marketing of the CGS programs. Dave Clark has provided information on the history of UWM's marketing efforts regarding CGS.

The tuition difference issue between the main campus and CGS is one that UWM has little control over. The Board of Regents has set the difference in tuitions, and they would need to raise the CGS tuition. However, there are questions as to how such a tuition increase would impact CGS enrollments.

M. Kavanaugh would like to have the UC address the comments regarding changing CGS rather than discontinuing CGS.

K. Kirshner asks that the UC address the future of faculty tenure at UWM. The implications of Academic Staff layoffs also need to be recognized.

VIII. PERSONNEL MATTERS – None

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – The next UC meeting is on June 10 at 10:00 a.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.