

University Staff Senate

JULY 16, 2024

MINUTES

Present: J. Almquist, E. Cochrane, A. Dempsey-Fischer, G. Dukes, L. Eastman, S. Fuller, G. Henion, K. Morgan, T. Nation, C. Parks, C. Peterson, K. Premeau, M. Renk, R. Sauers, K. Valerius, M. Vallejo, C. Warneke, S. Wirka

Absent: P. Dixon, C. Fitzpatrick, P. Geraci, E. Rakowski, L. Schiebel, T. Steffan, L. Wiczorek, R. Wahl

Guests: M. Mone, J. Reisel, K. Hennemann

- I. Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.
- II. Approval of minutes for June 18, 2024-The minutes were approved via auto-consent as submitted.
- III. Annual Reports submitted for approval via autoconsent: All were approved as submitted via auto-consent except USC. That will be reviewed by Chair G. Dukes and re-submitted.
 - University Staff Committee (USC)-Will be re-submitted by Chair Dukes.
 - Climate and Information Committee
 - Codification Committee
 - Grievance Committee
 - Layoff Committee
 - Nominations Committee
- IV. Chancellor Update-The Chancellor was able to join the Senate and update them on events.
 - The Deloitte report on the campus financial budgets is expected sometime in late August or early September.
 - UWM has asked for funding for upgrades to campus including infrastructure such as the campus chiller project.
 - UWM has also asked for funding of building projects such as a new Health Sciences building and Engineering and Neuro Sciences Center on the Southwest Corner of campus
 - Enrollments are trending ahead of projects. UWM has to keep up with recruitment and retention efforts to keep up with goals.
- V. Chair Update-G. Dukes updated the Senate.
 - Chair Dukes welcomed all new Senators to the Senate.
 - There will be several meetings over the upcoming semester on campus computing. AI will be a new topic and all are encouraged to participate. Chair Dukes will try to invite the CIO to speak on these topics and more at a future Senate meeting.
- VI. Welcome to new Senators and Introductions-G. Dukes welcomed all new Senators. New Senators were able to introduce themselves to the Senate.
- VII. Secretary of the University-John Reisel gave an overview of Governance at UWM and how

University Staff work within the Governance structure.

- VIII. SENATE/GOVERNANCE Orientation-L. Eastman-went over University Staff Governance in greater detail and how the Committees work for UWM University Staff.
- IX. Family Leave Update-K. Hennemann gave an overview of the Family Leave policy and answered questions about it for the Senate.
- X. Committee/Member Reports-There were no member reports.
- XI. New/Other Business-There was no new or other business
- XII. Adjournment-The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

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