

## **University Committee Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, Aug 26, 2020, 3:00 pm, TEAMS

Present: Devin Bickner, Jim Loebl (FOUNDERS AWARD WINNER!), Mark Klemp, Jon Shelton, Heidi Sherman, Alison Staudinger, Julie Wondergem (chair)

Guests: Sherri Arendt (FOUNDERS AWARD WINNER!), Kate Burns, Holly Keener, Steve Meyer, Kim Mezger, Mary Kate Ontaneda

- 1. Approval of minutes from the 7/8/20 meeting (G. Trimberger). Still waiting on 8/12/20 meeting minutes from Christine Smith.
- 2. Update on current situation and progress in planning for Fall 2020 (K. Burns)
  - Classes have been outfitted with safety materials (masks, etc.)
  - Still waiting on technology upgrades and probably won't be ready at beginning of year
  - 125 beds in dedicated building for quarantine/isolation, and some other rooms available, too
  - Students in housing have to get testing every two weeks (antigen test). Any positives then get follow-up PCR test
  - Cabinet will be meeting daily to check in if there are any data points to work on
  - UW system is requiring daily reports from campuses
  - Enrollment is up 203 students; UWGB is at the top of the range of students across system (some campuses are down as much as 10%)
  - Comprehensive Program Review Committee: first meeting will be next week. Amy Kabrhel, Pao Lor, John Lucazj, Courtney Sherman, Christine Smith, Chuck and John (deans) co chairs
- 3. 24 Credit Hour Workload Policy

Discussion of 24 credit workload policy. Provost is going to issue a revised 24 credit workload policy soon, reflecting the actions of the Faculty Senate in April.

4. Lecturer Policy

The UC's work on an updated policy for lecturers was interrupted by COVID. UC will send newest draft to Christopher Paquet and then schedule meeting with Academic Staff Council for feedback.

5. Election of a representative to serve on the Committee on Workload and Compensation

Jim Loebl will serve in this capacity in Fall 2020.



- 6. Discussion of the tenure, promotion, and evaluation policies for faculty and staff
  - Jim will talk to Caroline and CATL
  - Extend spring promotion and evaluation policy, including for teaching evaluations, performance reviews, and tenure and promotion
- 7. Discussion on childcare and caregiving issues for faculty and staff

Had this conversation in relation to other workload issues

UC will work to draft some policies to:

- 1) Make workload more manageable
- 2) Make evaluation policies more flexible
- 8. Election of a representative to serve on the National Council of Faculty Senates

Will ask Patricia Terry to continue doing it.

9. Liaison reports

Fac Reps update (Shelton): Thompson budget request, and Thompson efforts to support safe opening of campus

Academic staff reps (Arendt): Thompson also reached out to Tavern League to get them to "do their part" to prevent spread of COVID; academic staff also all submitting personnel review in next few days. Setting up fall planning committee

University staff reps (Mezger): Postponed spring election, but sending out interest survey now. Hope to have committees populated by mid-September. Monthly meetings happening again.

Meeting adjourned at 4:52.