Minutes University Committee January 21, 2015

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Present: Clifton Ganyard, Mimi Kubsch, Kristin Vespia, Steven Meyer (Chair), John Lyon, Vanya Koepke, Katrina Hrivnak, Christine Style

Guests: Greg Davis, Gaurav Bansai, Cliff Abbott

- 1. The UC minutes from 14 January, 2015 were approved with minor changes.
- 2. Election of 2015-16 UC Chair: John Lyon nominated Clifton Ganyard, who accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. Clifton Ganyard was elected UC Chair for 2015-16 by a unanimous show of hands.
- 3. Individualized Learning Committee: Changes to the charge and make up of this committee was discussed. The member number will change from 8 to 7; the Interdisciplinary Studies committee no longer exists so it was removed; the title of Director of Assessment Services has changed to Coordinator of Testing Services. These changes will be presented as a first reading at the next Senate meeting.
- 4. Changes regarding Facilities Planning Committee (FPC) and Facilities Management Committee (FMC): It was recommended that the FPC be eliminated (they meet once a year and the faculty make up of this committee mostly overlaps with the FMC members). Steven Meyer will ask Kelly Franz (convener of the FMC) rewrite the charge for the FMC that includes some faculty representation appointed from CCN candidates. The UC will review the charge for the FMC once it is written.
- 5. Steven Meyer reported that UW-Madison has adopted into policy language describing "hostile and/or intimidating behavior". Should UWGB adopt a similar policy? After discussion, it was determined that first we should check with HR. The Rights and Responsibility Committee would step in for faculty-to-faculty situations but not for faculty-to-staff situations.
- 6. Discussion regarding the request for Authorization to Implement a Collaborative Online M.S. of Science Degree in Data Science (with Greg Davis and Gaurav Bansai): UWGB would be one of six of the UW System campuses to offer online courses for this program. The UC and the Senate will need to approve the plan for UW-Green Bay to be involved. It has yet to be approved by system. The Program will have administrative and financial support from the University of Wisconsin-Extension. The UW-Green Bay administration is willing to invest in this program; it has the potential to make money. It is however built on using faculty overload, which is currently being looked at. This will part of the next Senate agenda.
- 7. Faculty Rep Discussion: Steven Meyer prepared a handout to help with discussion. In the past, the UC Chair has done this as part of their duties, however, the current scope of the UC Chair position makes it difficult to do both

- well, thus this part of the UC Chair's duties has often taken the back burner. It may become increasing important for the UWGB Faculty Rep to be more involved so it is being suggested that the Faculty Rep position split from the duties of the UC chair and that the person filling this role would receive a one-course reassignment and that it would be best if this person was also on the UC. There is much yet to discuss and this will continue at another UC meeting.
- 8. Provost report from Stephen Fritz: Provost Fritz just had his first meeting with Kelly Franz regarding the budget to getting up to speed. He is working with Greg Davis on the M.S. Data Science Program. He has met with the Foundation Board and they have re-organized and are the principle boosters in the community and they want to help promote our programs. He met with the new director of the Medical College as well. Provost Fritz attended his first Provost's meeting in Madison and thought it wasn't very productive for him yet due to his newness it was mostly a meet and greet. He also reported that enrollment is up about 12-15%, which is encouraging. All are waiting for the Governor's report and the funding cuts.
- 9. Cliff Abbott joined the UC meeting to set the next Senate agenda. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm

Respectively Submitted by Christine Style