

UW-Green Bay University Committee
Minutes
April 2, 2014
3- 5 pm
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Present: Greg Davis, Mimi Kubsch, Ryan Martin, Steven Meyer, Cristina Ortiz, Bryan Vescio (chair), Kristy Aoki (Academic Staff Representative), Heba Mohammad (Student Government Association Representative).

Guests: John Katers, Cliff Abbott, Matt Dornbush

- I. The minutes of March 26, 2014 were approved of as written.
- II. Announcements
 - a. Chair Bryan Vescio announced that the Chancellor did appoint members to the Planning and Budget Committee. Date of first meeting has not been set yet.
 - b. UC discussion of the Policy on Centers and Institutes will be postponed until next semester.
 - c. Chancellor Search. There are 65 applicants that meet the minimum qualifications. On Friday 4/4/2014 10 semifinalists will be selected for airport interviews scheduled the last weekend in April. It was mentioned that the new Chancellor should be aware of the political nature of the position.
 - d. The Shared Governance conference will be held Friday April 11. Greg cannot be there for the panel discussions so Steve and Ryan agreed to cover. Members of the panel are Kristin Aoki, Regan Gurung, Heba Mohammad, and Dean VonDras. The panel will talk about shared governance from the perspective of their own units. What structure would make shared governance easier will be discussed. Kristin Aoki will be the moderator.
- III. There is a need to elect a new Chair of the UC since Greg Davis can no longer serve because he is taking the Associate Provost position. With this in mind, Steve Meyer was nominated and he agreed to serve. The motion for Steve to be Chair of the UC passed unanimously.
- IV. John Katers met with the UC to discuss the issue of Professional Program designation of two of the three Engineering Tech Programs, specifically Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Programs which will be voted on next week in Senate. The Environmental Engineering program has already been classified as Interdisciplinary by the Faculty Senate. If these two programs are designated as Professional Programs a minor will not be required. There was considerable discussion over the current practice of designating the classification “interdisciplinary” to all Professional Programs. The issues of having to report to two Dean’s and the housing of these Professional Programs in LAS was discussed. Katers said progress is being made with curriculum development with three courses being written for the Mechanical Engineering Program; they have been submitted as “X” courses to the AAC.
- V. Code change: Graduate Studies Council. Matt Dornbush came to discuss the issue of a proposed Code change to the Graduate Program Council charge. The proposed change would be to strike the last sentence from 53.12 that would have restricted a faculty

member who belongs to two graduate programs to voting in only one. Rather than striking the sentence it was suggested that a new sentence be added that specifically states that a graduate faculty member who belongs to two graduate programs may vote twice. There was concern with the way it was written that there would be a potential negative impact on the growth of new graduate programs. Matt will present the proposed change to faculty Senate.

- VI. Policy Change: Committee of Six Full Professors. A proposed change in a policy that is in the Faculty Handbook regarding what is considered scholarly activity of a Faculty person seeking Full Professor status was discussed. The way it is, does not appropriately reflect scholarly activities. There was considerable discussion as to whether the proposed version is more restrictive or less restrictive. What is noted to be particularly different in the proposed version are the sentences "...; consequential applications of academic ideas to solving social or technical problems." And "Supplementary scholarly activities ...". Also noted is the deletion of the sentence "Historically one or two significant scholarly works have been sufficient to assure promotion to the rank of Associate Professor." The proposed change will be brought to Senate the way it is written. Bryan Vescio said he will ask Regan Gurung if intention was to lower the bar or raise it and will also ask about the meaning of the clause that starts with "...; consequential...".
- VII. The Administrative Review Process was discussed. Seems there was considerable work done on a policy "Administrative Review Process" written in 2008 by the Administrative Evaluation Committee (AEC). The AEC is a task force that is appointed every 3 years to get the review started and completed. The "Administrative Review Process" policy needs to be in the Faculty Handbook. Bryan Vescio would like to present the policy to Senate as is, but will leave out the questionnaire because questions will be formulated by the AEC when it is appointed. There was agreement that the review will take place every three years and not be staggered. The AEC will be appointed by the UC every three years and will be composed of Faculty, Academic and Classified staff. There was discussion as to whether the review should be of the Chancellor, Provost, and Academic Deans or should it include other Deans such as the Dean of Students.
- VIII. Administrators on Faculty Committees. There was a short discussion of this issue. Seems administrators could serve on some committees but not on others like the Personnel Council. This issue will be discussed with Senate at the last meeting.
- IX. Cliff Abbott came to meeting to set the Senate agenda for next week April 9, 2014
Old business: Self Authored Texts, Essential Job Functions. New business: Granting of Degrees, Engineering Tech Programs, Code change of Graduate Studies Council. policy change proposed by Committee of Six Full Professors, Administrator Review Process. Reports Chancellor, Provost, UC, Academic Staff, Student Government.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mimi Kubsch