MINUTES UW Green Bay University Committee

Present: 25 October 2006 Scott Furlong (Chair) 3:15 pm CL 825

Terence O'Grady

Donna Ritch Previous meeting:
Kevin Roeder 11 October 2006

Chris Style Dean Von Dras

Paula Ganyard (Academic Staff representative)

Guest: Provost Sue Hammersmith

1) The minutes of 11 October were approved with minor changes.

2) Information Exchange with Provost Hammersmith Questions concerning differences between salaries at UW-Green Bay and the other comprehensive campuses arose. The Provost suggested that the UC discuss the details regarding these differences with Dean Rodeheaver.

The Code Change for 3.09 was discussed briefly. The chair has discussed this issue with Melissa Jackson. UW System counsel has dropped its objections to our proposed language and the proposed change in codification will be sent forward at the next Board of Regents meeting.

The ad hoc committee on Global Studies has modified its final report to include in it an endorsement of educational outcomes for the proposal Global Studies minor (with the understanding that any list of outcomes will be subject to revision by the executive committee of the program once determined).

The University Committee asked the Provost whether S&E budgetary support of the sort requested in the Global Studies report would in fact be forthcoming were the program to be approved by the Senate. The Provost responded that such funding would be made available if the program were to be approved. The question of reassignments for the administration of the new program must await a study of administrative reassignments to be undertaken by the deans.

The due date for the required campus policy for dealing with criminal background checks has been pushed back to December 1, 2006. Discussion on this policy continues.

Regarding the justification for materials to be included in the personnel file to be held in the Provost's office, the Provost suggested that the UC contact Associate Provost Tim Sewall and Human Resources Director Sheryl Van Gruensven for detailed information.

The Provost noted that the Comprehensive Program Review Task Force has been submitted and the report will be shared first with unit chairs to begin the campus-wide dialogue. Also, the Equity Score Card Analysis information will be disseminated in the course of the semester. Finally, progress is being made on the Academic Affairs Strategic Plan. The Provost will be presenting an update on the progress to the UC and the Senate.

3. New Business

a) The NSSE survey regarding student engagement

As part of the Instructional Development Council's conference on "Engaging Students and Revitalizing Interdisciplinarity," participants were asked to take questions back to their constituents for discussion prior to a second meeting on October 27.

The UC discussed the implications of the NSSE data and ways to improve UW-Green Bay's standing in this area in a wide-ranging discussion that touched upon class size, the pilot program for Freshman seminars, the student's responsibility in becoming "engaged," the use of technology to foster greater engagement, etc.

The next UC meeting will be November 1 at 3:15 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Terence O'Grady, secretary pro tempore