MINUTES
UW Green Bay University Committee
Present:
Dean Von Dras (Chair)
Terence O’Grady
Steven Meyer
Illene Noppe
Laura Riddle
Kevin Roeder
Dan McIver (Academic Staff representative)
Guests: Provost Sue Hammersmith, Associate Provost Tim Sewall, Professors Ray Hutchinson and John Katers

1) The minutes of 26 September 2007 were approved.
2) Information Exchange with Provost Sue Hammersmith
a) The Provost shared copies of the summary and background materials for the Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA), which were dated August 29, 2007 while providing the UC with a brief verbal overview.
b) The Provost returned to a prior conversation she had with the UC regarding the Senate Committee on Planning and Budget, asking that this committee inform her on ways in which budget issues and processes could become more transparent. The Provost also reported on the budget web page which is available on the university website, indicating that it holds a plethora of budget-related information.
c) The Provost also reported on the administrator evaluations indicating that information is being shared with the Chancellor and Cabinet as well as undergoing a legal review.
3) Continuing Business
a) A discussion on the Faculty Senate Budget and Planning Committee was held with Ray Hutchinson and John Katers. Challenges to committee functioning were identified. These included: the need for the committee to have a defined role or set of roles that solidify involvement in budget and planning matters, defining connections to campus committees that promote having access to budget and planning information while being able to offer input and, promoting faculty representation in the budget process so faculty opinions can be shared. Discussion outcomes included: having the Chair of the Faculty Senate Budget and Planning Committee be the Designee of the UC Chair with the University Planning Committee, having the Senate and/or the UC charge the committee with providing specific information on the budget and planning process, ask that the committee assess the impact of the growth initiative on programs across campus, have the committee be involved in the university web page which communicates budget information to the larger community and, have the committee provide a monthly report to the Faculty Senate.
b) Further discussion and presentation of a modified proposal was reviewed regarding making the AAC and the GEC bodies of the Faculty Senate.
4) New Business
a) Associate Provost Tim Sewall presented the review process, interview schedule, and reaffirmation materials for the upcoming review by the Higher Learning Commission.
b) Discussed the Personnel Councils (PC) concern about the recusal of chairs from unit and disciplinary reviews. In this process, the September 25, 2007, minutes of the PC were reviewed and current code was discussed.
c) The Chair reported on the Faculty Rep meeting in Madison. This report included the desire by Regents of the UW System to visit campuses, the UW System’s Advantage Wisconsin Strategic Framework, and the Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA).

The next UC meeting will be October 10 at 3:15 .m.
The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Roeder, secretary pro tempore

