Minutes

Meeting of the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay University Committee

24 August 2011

3:00 pm, CL 830

Previous Meeting: 26 July 2011

Present: Dave Dolan Mike Draney (Chair) Bryan Vescio Derek S. Jeffreys Ray Hutchison Tim Kaufman Linda Parins

Guests: Chancellor Thomas Hardin, Provost Julia Wallace

1. <u>Meeting with the Chancellor</u>. The Chancellor arrived, and briefed the University Committee on the progress of the Foundation Board. He provided a list of faculty members who might serve on the Board. UC members noted that some of the listed faculty members would be on sabbatical in the next year. They agreed that the Chancellor's list contained good candidates for the Foundation Board.

2. <u>New Business</u>. Chair Mike Draney made general comments about the role of the University Committee at UWGB. Dave Dolan described the position of Faculty Representative in Madison.

3. <u>Minutes</u>: With minor corrections, the minutes of the 11 May 2011 and 26 July 2011 meetings were approved.

4. <u>Old Business</u>. UC members discussed the possible code change for redefining interdisciplinarity. For the next Faculty Senate meeting UC members decided to have an additional first reading of the motion to redefine interdisciplinarity. Ray Hutchison asked if the UC could simply drop the motion since it will likely meet opposition. UC members thought it would be better to have the Senate discuss and vote on the motion.

5. <u>New Business</u>. UC members discussed the letter to new senators on the Faculty Senate. They agreed to send it to all incoming senators. UC members also talked about possibly developing a Senate Committee on Faculty Compensation. They agreed to invite Andrew Kersten to discuss compensation at the next UC meeting. UC members then began brainstorming about the UC agenda for this academic year. Chair Draney mentioned workload issues, suggesting that the UC consider service and research expectations.

6. <u>Discussion with the Provost</u>. The Provost arrived and discussed the Graduate Faculty Board of Advisors. She indicated that her office will be clarifying its mission. Dave Dolan asked about how the Provost's office will respond to the recently-completed report by the Graduate Task

Force. The Provost said that she intended to follow many of the Task Force's recommendations. She noted that this year, she will be conducting a search for a new Associate Provost for Graduate Programs. Ray Hutchison asked if expanding graduate programs would require UWGB to increase the size of its faculty. The Provost replied that rather than hire new faculty, we would likely reallocate existing faculty responsibilities. She closed by emphasizing that this year would be important for solidifying graduate education.

After the Provost departed, the UC continued brainstorming about the coming year. Derek Jeffreys asked Bryan Vescio about the Graduate Education Task Force. Vescio noted that it would probably complete its work this year, and forward a proposal to the UC. Ray Hutchison recommended that the UC discuss and clarify workload. After discussing the 21 credit teaching load, UC members agreed that the UC should devote time to discuss faculty workload. They ended the meeting by recommending that the Faculty Senate adopt a resolution supporting the Administration's response to the new Conceal/Carry law.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.