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MINUTES 2018-2019
UW-GREEN BAY FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 6

Wednesday, February 27, 2019
1965 Room, University Union

Presiding Officer: Gail Trimberger, Speaker of the Senate
Parliamentarian: Steve Meyer, Secretary of the Faculty and Staff

PRESENT: Heather Clarke (BUA), Jason Cowell (HUD), Greg Davis (Provost, ex-officio), Christin DePouw (EDUC), Joan Groessl (SOCW), Stefan Hall (HUS), Richard Hein (Manitowoc-NAS), Maruf Hossain (NAS), Dana Johnson (SOCW), Mark Klemp (Marinette-NAS-UC), Kaoime Malloy (THEATRE), Gary Miller (Chancellor, ex-officio), Paul Mueller (HUB), Megan Olson Hunt (NAS), Uwe Pott (HUB), Sampath Ranganathan (BUA), Matthew Raunio (Sheboygan-BUA), Sawa Senzaki (HUD), Jon Shelton (DJS), Courtney Sherman (HUS-UC), Gail Trimberger (SOCW-UC), Katie Turkiewicz (CIS), Brenda Tyczkowski (NUR), Kristin Vespia (HUD-UC), Sam Watson (AND), Aaron Weinschenk (PEA), Brian Welsch (NAS), and Julie Wondergem (NAS-UC)

NOT PRESENT: Mike Draney (NAS), Hernan Fernandez-Meardi (HUS), Ray Hutchison (PEA-UC), Jim Loebel (BUA-UC), Rebecca Nesvet (HUS), William Sallak (MUSIC),

REPRESENTATIVES: Jan Malchow (ASC), Kim Mezger (USC), and Abbie Wagaman (SGA)

GUESTS: Scott Ashmann (Assoc. Dean, CHESW), Alan Chu (Asst. Prof., Human Development), Matt Dornbush (Assoc. Vice Chancellor and Interim Dean of the School of Business), Clif Ganyard (Assoc. Provost), Jenell Holstead (Chair, Human Development), Ben Joniaux (Chief of Staff), Ryan Martin (Associate Dean, CAHSS), Amanda Nelson (Associate Dean, CSET), Christine Vandenhouten (Faculty Representative), and Mike Zorn (Assoc. Dean, CSET)

1. CALL TO ORDER

With no weather delays this time around, Speaker Gail Trimberger got the sixth Faculty Senate meeting of the academic year started at 3:01 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 5, February 6, 2019

Finding no errors and offering no edits to the minutes from the 6 February 2019 Faculty Senate meeting, the minutes were found to be groovy and approved via consensus.

3. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

Chancellor Miller used the bulk of his time to update Faculty Senate on (non-fake) news related to the state budget, which the Governor will present on Thursday, February 28. There will be a rather substantial increase in the base funding for higher education, approximately \$44M in the first year of the biennium and \$66M in the second year. Included in that is \$40M to cover the

System's part of a 2% + 2% pay increase; the Board of Regents had requested 3% + 3%. Governor Evers does include in the budget the one-third of the salary increase that UW System normally has to cover. It is believed that the Governor will move the Capacity Building Projects up a year; he has budgeted \$20M for the first year and \$25M for the second year. For UWGB that would mean \$1.7M to the base funding for our Capacity Building Project in CAHSS and CHESW to help with developing tools for drug abuse and mental health issues in schools in the 16-county area. While there is some funding in the Governor's budget for Student Services support at the Branch Campuses, UWGB is being proactive by drafting a proposal describing how we would use our share (\$385K) of the \$5M available to the former two-year campuses.

The tuition freeze will continue, but the Governor plans to back-fill about \$50M worth of "things" into the budget that will in essence "fund the-freeze". UWGB has requested of the Governor that the approximately \$250K in Oneida gaming money we used to receive be restored to support our First Nations Studies and EdD programs; the Chancellor is optimistic of a positive response. UWGB has requested planning money through Senator Hansen's office to reconfigure the downtown library for a possible university center. This would be a joint project between UWGB and NWTC; it is a high priority in the regional strategic plan. Governor Evers is recommending that undocumented residents pay resident tuition; however, it is expected that it will be removed from the budget. Missing from the Governor's budget is performance-based funding; he publicly opposed performance-based funding when he was an *ex-officio* member of the Board of Regents, stating there is no evidence to suggest it works.

The Governor's budget will be released 28 February 2019. The leadership team (the Chancellor, Provost, and Chief of Staff) will then visit with legislators, particularly those on the Joint Finance Committee, to lobby for the Governor's budget.

There will be new construction on the softball field once/if the snow melts. Between money left over from the soccer field construction (completed under bid), large personal gifts, and support from the foundation, new turf will be installed to cover the entire softball field as well as adding lights and upgrading the fencing and dugouts.

When the floor was opened to questions, Senator Shelton asked the Chancellor what he has heard about the probability of Republican leadership taking up Governor Ever's proposed budget vs. proposing an alternative budget. The Chancellor responded that the real challenge in the budget is with transportation. Ben Joniaux believes 65-70% of the budget will be enacted. There will be parts of the budget that the Republican majority will take out immediately; for example, Ever's desire to start the Capacity Building Projects in the first year of the biennium will likely be pushed to the second year of the biennium. There will likely be considerable consternation over the Capital Budget, mainly because it is so huge and it affects the credit rating of the state. Overall, many believe that most legislators are not unhappy with the budget. The legislature's lack of investment in UW System leading to UW-Madison falling out of the Top 5 in research rankings was a sobering wake-up call.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. Form K reorganization of the College of Science, Engineering, and Technology (second reading)

Amanda Nelson, Associate Dean of the College of Science, Engineering, and Technology, stepped in for Dean Katers, who was away on business. There were no changes to what Dean Katers presented last month at the first reading. **Senator Sherman moved acceptance of the Form K and reorganization of CSET, seconded by Senator Mueller.** With no discussion, **the motion to accept the Form K carried 26-0-0.**

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Slate of Candidates for Elective Faculty Committees

Senator Jon Shelton, putting on his Chair of the Committee on Committees and Nominations hat, presented the ballot of elected faculty committees. Senator Shelton took the opportunity to express his deep gratitude for the amazing support of SOFAS Assistant Holly Keener. The amount of work she puts in behind the scenes to assist the CCN in creating the faculty elective ballot is nothing short of extraordinary. Her organizational skills makes the ridiculously complicated process of creating the ballot almost easy. Faculty who previously served on the CCN pre-Holly are quick to agree that the process is so much simpler now. Senator Shelton also wished to point out that the committee did everything possible to get Branch Campus faculty represented on the ballot in an effort to create an inclusive, multi-campus community.

When Senator Shelton ask for questions/comments on the ballot, Provost Davis took the opportunity to express his disappointment over the number of faculty who are unwilling to complete the preference survey (the tool on which the CCN depends to create the ballot). If we are to maintain a shared governance system, which is vital for the university, there must be representation and contributions uniformly across the university.

The SOFAS took the opportunity to remind senate that further nominations can be added to the ballot by a petition of three voting faculty members. These nominations must have consent of the nominee and must be received by the Secretary of the Faculty and Staff no later than 8 March 2019. The ballot will go out either late in the afternoon on Friday, 8 March or early in the morning 11 March. Voting will close on Friday, 15 March.

Senator Hall moved to accept the slate of candidates, Senator Hein seconded the motion. The motion passed 26-0-0.

b. Request for Authorization to Implement a Master of Science – Sport, Exercise, and Performance Psychology at UW–Green Bay (first reading)

Chair of Human Development, Jenell Holstead, stepped forward to present the RAI. The proposed program is a 39-credit Master's degree that will admit 20 students every academic year. As developed, the program would take two years to complete. Prof. Holstead listed a number of potential jobs for which an individual earning this Master's degree would be able to compete. Based on market demand, it is estimated there will be an 11% growth in the job market over the next few years. There is only one other similar program in the UW System; UW-Milwaukee's program is housed in a Kinesiology department, where our program would be housed in the Psychology department which reflects our counseling and mental health emphases.

In similar programs within the Midwest, it is typical to have 40-60 applications for 10 openings in the program. This Master's program should complement a suite of other programs that UWGB offers (e.g., Master's in Athletic Training, Master's in Nutrition and Integrated Health, and Master's in Health and Wellness).

c. Request for Future Business

Temperatures have been very mean
'Bout the coldest I ever have seen
It's bound to get warmer
So says my informer
Just in time for the long spring break scene

(There was no new business brought forward)

6. PROVOST'S REPORT

Provost Davis informed Faculty Senate that at the last Regents meeting the Water Science program was approved. Regents also took their first look at UWGB's revised Select Mission. Ben Joniaux helped arrange the first local hearing of the Mission, to take place in the Fort Howard Hall on Thursday, 14 March. The next Regents meeting is next week Thursday, with a Provost's meeting schedule on Wednesday.

Our enrollment numbers for next year are encouraging as we continue to make good strides in terms of revenue figures especially at the Green Bay campus; enrollments at the three Branch Campuses are more of a challenge. As the Deans and Academic Affairs come to agreement regarding which programs will be supported at each Branch Campus, Enrollment Services, Admissions, and Marketing will be able to put together resources to assist with recruitment of students for each of those campuses.

The Search and Screen Committee for the Dean of the Austin E. Cofrin School of Business has been created. Their first meeting will take place Friday, 1 March. Dean Chuck Rybak will be chairing the search committee. Academic Affairs, along with the Budget Office, is working hard to create a preliminary final version of the RCM budget model, preparing it for discussion across campus. Provost Davis also mentioned he is looking forward to reading the files of all faculty seeking promotion to associate and full professor.

Provost Davis invited Associate Vice Chancellor Dornbush to take over the senate floor with an update on the possibility of receiving a National Estuarine Research Reserve (NERR) Center in Northeastern Wisconsin (lower Green Bay ecosystem). There is a network of 29 estuarine areas across the U.S., each having four components – research, education, stewardship, and training. Each NERR Center has facilities for research, a library, a lecture hall, community outreach, personnel offices, and a visitor center/museum. We have had widespread support from all sectors of the community, but the first step in the process is to get a letter of support from the Governor to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to initiate a site feasibility study. Unfortunately, despite letters of support from legislators on both sides of the aisle,

Governor Walker and his administration never embraced the idea. Governor Evers office seems more excited by the possibility and we are optimistic the process will now move forward.

7. OTHER REPORTS

a. University Committee Report. UC Chair Courtney Sherman informed Faculty Senate that there are a number of information security initiatives coming our way from System. Paula Ganyard will join us at our March senate meeting to provide an explanation of what is in store for us.

b. Faculty Representative Report. Faculty Representative Christine Vandenhouten relayed information received from the Whitewater Faculty Rep related to the UWW Chancellor search. Happily, the Whitewater Rep believes that the process that played out did allow for significant opportunity to provide input on the final search profile prospectus and that their comments and edits were incorporated into the final document. However, there is still concern that the composition of the Search Committee – 5 Regents, 2 faculty, 1 Academic/University Staff, 1 Alumni/Community Member, and 1 Student representative – is too heavily weighted with Regents.

System Policy 136 – Required Disclosures for Participation in Certain UW System Services and Programs – is being revised. It is in the comment period right now. The policy covers the disclosure of past crimes and other activities when applying for student housing and participation in co-curricular or study abroad programs. The comment period extends from to 22 February to 19 April.

There is concern that there was not sufficient representation from all the campuses on the Title and Total Compensation project. As a result, the Academic Staff, University Staff, and Faculty Representative for each of the campuses have been added to the TTC committee.

Two concerns have been raised regarding the Branch Campuses and the Receiving Campuses. One relates to the merging of curriculum, the other relates to discrepancies in the pay structure of lecturers.

c. Academic Staff Committee Report. Jan Malchow informed senate that the ASC has been in communication with their Branch Campus colleagues regarding the amending of the Academic Staff By-Laws to be inclusive of those colleagues.

d. University Staff Committee Report. Kim Mezger was happy to report that the USC has found a representative from the UW-Green Bay|Sheboygan campus; Sue Machuca will fill that role. Unfortunately, the previous week the representative from the UW-Green Bay|Manitowoc campus, April Peissig, resigned her position on the USC. Kim also reported that there are 19 vacancies on various University Staff committees and, unfortunately, only 24 preference surveys returned to potentially fill those committee spots. Members of the University Staff are doing their best to get individuals excited and involved in shared governance.

e. Student Government Association Report. SGA President Abbie Wagaman was excited to report that Student Senate and SUFAC passed a resolution to use \$60K in the Sustainability Fund to purchase a composter. Student government elections are coming up soon, materials are posted online. The SGA is potentially taking over the Student Nominated Teaching Awards. SGA is still looking to fill the chair position on the student government's Equity and Diversity Committee.

8. ADJOURNMENT at 3:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Meyer, Secretary of the Faculty and Staff