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UW Green Bay University Committee

4 April 2007
3:15 p.m., CL825

Present: Scott Furlong (Chair) Chris Style
Kevin Roeder Dean VonDras
Donna Ritch Terence O’Grady
Paula Ganyard (Academic Staff Representative)

Previous meeting: 26 March 2007

Guests: Provost Sue Hammersmith, HR Director Sheryl Van Gruensven

1) Call to order. The University Committee minutes for 26 March 2007 were approved with minor revision.

2) Information sharing and discussion with Provost Hammersmith.

A) The Provost announced a Faculty Forum to be held on 13 April 2007 to discuss salaries and salary savings, leadership issues, the growth agenda, and other concerns of the faculty.

B) The Provost noted that COA wants to change their name to “Arts and Visual Design” (AVD); this name change designates that the Communication Arts major will become Design Arts major and the graphic communication minor will become Design Arts minor. There was brief discussion of these name changes.

C) The Provost discussed the recent proposed code changes suggested by the General Education Council, and that System approval may not be necessary to enact the code changes. The Provost also noted that she met with the Registrar to discuss the make-up and their involvement on the Academic Affairs Council (AAC). The Provost proposed that in lieu of a representative from the Registrar’s Office, Tim Sewall may serve as an ex-officio.

D) The Provost briefly discussed the Bachelor of Applied Studies (BAS) degree and System’s role in the approving of this degree program may not be needed.

E) The Provost led a lengthy discussion concerning the search for a new Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences. During this time Scott Furlong was excused and absent from the room. There was broad discussion of the search committee’s activities, applicant qualifications, and other considerations regarding the search.

3) Continuing business:

A. Sheryl Van Gruensven joined the UC to discuss criminal background check policies. There was a rather broad discussion of the policy being developed, and suggestions were made regarding both policy and implementation procedures.
B. The UC discussed faculty salaries and a “give-back” of salary dollars to System that may have occurred a few years ago.

4) New business:

A. The UC discussed the WTCS Collegiate Transfer Program Policy and suggested that there be a resolution introduced at the Faculty Senate that would reserve the right of the UW-Green Bay faculty to approve transfer credits from WTCS and UWS campuses.

B. There was very brief mention of a Textbook Report from Student Government that suggests costs of textbooks be published along with course costs in the catalogue.

C. There was also very brief mention of a legislative bill that would indicate UW faculty to have a right to choose collective bargaining.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dean D. VonDras, secretary pro tempore