

MINUTES
UW-Green Bay University Committee
1 May 2013
3:00 PM , CL 750
Previous meeting – April, 17 2013

Present: Greg Davis; Derek Jeffreys(Chair); Mimi Kubsch; Ryan Martin; Steven Meyer; Bryan Vescio; Kristy Aoki, Academic Staff Representative; Heba Mohammad, Student Government Association Representative

Guests: Chancellor Tom Harden, Provost Julia Wallace, SOFAS Cliff Abbott

- I. The minutes of April 17, 2013 were approved of as written.
- II. UW-System Budget. Chancellor Harden gave an update on the budget issue and reported that he attended a meeting about the balance issue with local leaders and seven Northeastern Wisconsin legislators. The purpose of the meeting was to share our concerns and to tell them that we support the Governor's \$181 million dollar proposal to boost the University of Wisconsin System's budget. The Chancellor indicated that he was pleased with the proceedings of the meeting. There will be a tuition freeze. There is a "listening session" schedule for this Friday where 2 local legislators will be present to discuss the issue. The system has identified that UWGB holds \$18 million in revenue balance. Much of this money is accounted for already when you back out funding for planned uses. The Chancellor reviewed the different fund numbers used on campus and indicated how much of the budget lines have already been spoken for. He indicated that it is appropriate for government agencies to have a reserve of 17 %. After all of the back-outs our reserve is 7.8%. There is concern because the surplus is restricted and is not intended for raises. Ryan Martin expressed concern on behalf of the faculty and stated that morale is very low. It was noted that there is evidence that the initial reaction to the surplus issue is calming down, now that there has been some time. UC members asked the Chancellor to send another communication regarding the issue to faculty.
- III. Meeting with Provost/Dissolution of Collaborative MSW Program. Julia Wallace briefly discussed the dissolution for the collaborative MSW issue. She said that in order for them to have an independent program they will have to hire two new faculty. They will generate \$ for this through their part time program. The UC reviewed the resolution and noted that it is positively stated and in support of an independent program. No suggestions for revision of the resolution were made.
- IV. Discussion of Faculty Senate meeting of April 24. The resolution "UWGB-United's Resolution to Faculty Senate on Workload and Compensation Study" was revised. Instead of asking that a member of the CWC committee be allowed to attend the Chancellors Cabinet meetings the resolution was changed to suggest that a member of the UC be allowed to attend Cabinet meetings. The resolution passed the Senate Unanimously. Concern was expressed about the fact that the Cabinet meetings are not open meetings. Steve Meyer is going to bring up this issue at the next Faculty Reps meeting to see how other campus function with regards to the open meeting rule.

- V. Discussion of Faculty Senate Budget and Planning Committee. Susan Gallagher-Lepak asked for an update regarding the dissolved committee. It was noted that faculty have been appointed to the Chancellor's Leadership Council.
- VI. Update on enhancing research. A proposed Research Center has the support of both Deans. The Dean of Professional Studies said she would give 2 course releases to faculty for this purpose. The Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences says he will grant a 1 course release. The Research Council will have a role in the proposed center. Having someone in the center to facilitate grant writing is desired. The Research Center will be business of the UC next year.
- VII. Meeting with Cliff Abbott to set Senate Agenda for May 8.
- Election of Speaker of Senate
 - Social work resolution
 - Committee reports
 - Chancellor's report
 - Provost report
 - Faculty Rep report
- VIII. Committee Appointments. Cliff Abbott asked UC members to appoint faculty to 4 committees. The UC then made the following suggestions. For the Individualized Learning Committee, Carol Emmons and James Coats, for the CWC Chris Martin, for the Legislative Affairs committee, Vince Lowery, Francis Akakpo, Dallas Blaney, for the Chancellor's Planning and Budget Council, Dave Dolan, Dan Meinhardt, Yolanda Sallmann, Mike Draney, Doreen Higgins, Mike Draney, and Meir Russ.

Respectfully submitted,

Mimi Kubsch