



University Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2021, TEAMS

Present: Devin Bickner, Aaron Weinschenk, Mark Klemp, Jon Shelton, Heidi Sherman, Joan Groessl, Julie Wondergem (chair)

Guests: Steve Meyer (SOFAS), Sherri Arendt, Kate Burns, Holly Keener, Sue Machuca, Mary Kate Ontaneda

Meeting brought to order at 3:05 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the 12/02/20 (D. Bickner) meeting were approved.

2. Fall/Spring semester Update 2020 (K. Burns): COVID related: We will be receiving Cares act funding version 2. Anticipated amount is \$6.2 million, and of that \$2 million will be towards student financial needs. Current surge testing for the community will continue through Jan. 23rd. Next, we will transition into new testing required for the spring term for Faculty, Staff, and students. This will be at the Green Bay campus and the additional locations as well. In addition to the testing, we will also have vaccine distribution for the community at the Green Bay campus. There are plans being worked on to have vaccines at the Sheboygan and Marinette campuses. System is currently holding discussions for Faculty and Staff to be grouped into the 1B level for vaccines.

Non COVID: Spring registration is down about 1000 students compared to last year at this time. Some of these shortages come from the CCIHS program (560), so some of these numbers are expected to improve when the high schools provide those numbers. We are still down about 500 campus students, but making strides as 159 registered last week. This level of registration is larger than past years at this time. Other schools are seeing similar shortfalls for Spring.

For Fall we are planning to schedule classes using non COVID conditions. Encouraging more alternative modality from past (pre covid) times to address shifts in student demands for delivery.

3. Discussion on COVID Course Readjustment Policy (K. Burns): The Provost wanted to recognize all of the hard work being done by both Faculty and Staff. Discussions of shortages of employees followed. Discussions on how to get research efforts back on track also followed. The UC expressed gratitude for the appreciation from administration, but also expressed a need to implement some more concrete steps to address pressures and burn-out felt by Faculty and Staff.



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4. Discussion about Senate and UC representation for each of the Additional Locations, and Discussion about vacancies on committees (S. Meyer): The SOFAS presented proposed changes to the Faculty Handbook for both of these items. The committee will consider these for inclusion into the next Faculty Senate meeting as a first read.

The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mark Klemp

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