

University Committee Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2022

Present: Devin Bickner, Dan Kallgren, Aaron Weinschenk, Clif Ganyard, Patricia Terry, Chris Vandenhouten

Guests Present: Harrison Thiry, Meagan Strehlow, Becky Haeny, Steve Meyer, Nichole LaGrow, Kim Mezger

Meeting called to order by Devin at 3:03 PM.

Update on Academic Honors Proposal: Meagan reported on updates to the policy since last review. Language same as that for the bachelor's degree. Residency credits = 40% of the required for the degree (24 CR). No change in language from the language currently in the catalog. The Associate of Arts & Sciences Executive Committee met with Meaghan and approved the policy. Per Courtney Sherman, did not need to go to AAC, proceed to UC after AAS Degree committee. (Senate voted on 4-year degree honors). UC approved as written, will go on the next Senate agenda meeting. [Meagan left the meeting]

Minutes from last meeting: No additions or corrections. Approved by consensus.

Academic Freedom Roundtable: Was held this afternoon. Members discussed the meeting. Will pass a thank you to Kate when she is here.

Senate Agenda: Reviewed agenda for November 9.

Teaching Faculty Promotion Requirements and Guidelines: The position descriptions were developed from a Senate approved by faculty Senate last April (4/7/2021, pp.12-15). Job responsibilities were handed down by system. Promotion criteria were included in the policy approved last April. Steve was charged by the Provost to create a guideline from that approved policy. Units may interpret guidelines as wish as long as are consistent in the application to candidates seeking promotion.

[Provost Kate Burns joined the meeting.]

Provost Update: Still no final numbers from system, hopefully early next week. "Heliocampus" software being acquired for more point in time reporting. Kate will not be able to attend the next Senate meeting as has a meeting at system.

UC Member Questions: (1) Thank you to Kate for holding the Academic Freedom Roundtable today. (2) No scheduled faculty or student engagement sessions yet since are waiting on plans (new "library"). (3) Additional locations- Campuses open M-TH, extended hours., reducing based on usage. Trying to coordinate evening courses. Two nights not enough, considering three nights. [Admin Council retreat discussion, pulled data on usage. National trend is evening courses online. Evening courses not well enrolled.] College CR in HS-boost in student credit hours, Rising Phoenix, haven't looked at the student CR hours but financially, not same as an undergraduate student. (4) Vision remains unchanged: targeted bachelors, associates degree, Rising Phoenix significantly growing. (5) Rising Phoenix—how many take courses on our campuses? Marinette not on campus, Manitowoc is. (Small numbers in Sheboygan at present). Ideal is a mix of in-person and on-line. (6) Admin Council is supposed to be those who report to the Provost, although some additional individual who used to do so are on the Council. Associate Deans do not report to Provost but are on Admin Council. (7) Concern—re: presentations to County

Boards to support intent of maintaining the campus, and not repurposing buildings. (8) Academic Affairs Vision and Strategic Planning- there is a link on the Provost's page of the website under Academic Affairs. Reviewed three times per year. University Strategic Priorities + Professional Development for staff.

[Provost Kate Burns left the meeting.]

Discuss inviting Tony to an upcoming UC meeting. Would like clarification of how perceives the CEO role. Devin will email to offer an invite.

Administrative Review: Aaron was the only one who responded. Evaluation will be written by Aaron and Devin.

Resumed discussion of the Teaching Professor Progression: At future Senate meeting (not next week) talk about Senators reporting back to the units. Discuss possibly providing information at the next Senate meeting on the promotion of Teaching Professors. Discussion of timeline to promotion, and other related issues.

Meeting adjourned at 4:51 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joan Groessl