



## 5.) INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Provost Update:
  - i. *Provost Search*: Approximately 20 applications were received for the position (including 9 outside applications and internal candidate nominations). We are one of seven Provost positions open in the UW System right now. We will continue to accept applications until the end of March. Dr. Harden will interview all finalists with a goal of having the new Provost begin their duties in early July.
  - ii. *Budget Update*: University Committee is very concerned about the recent news on the budget and wants the Senate Budget Committee to take another look at it.
  
- b. ASC Chair Report (incl. Cabinet, UC Reports):
  - i. February 24 and March 10 Cabinet Meetings were cancelled.
  - ii. 3/3/09 Cabinet meeting:
    1. ADA policy/forms from Human Resources were reviewed by Sheryl Van Gruensven, HR Director. Training on same will be offered by Human Resources.
    2. Report on progress of Provost search was made, including announcement of placement of first advertisement.
    3. Chancellor reported the upcoming Regent meeting will also include a meeting to discuss United Council (Chancellors and student government leaders).
    4. Preliminary budget reduction amounts and distribution were reviewed by Chancellor Ward and Vice Chancellor Maki. It was noted that campus and area contingencies will be used in their entirety, as well as the emphasis being placed on the importance of the reduction being a one-time and not base cut and the offset from a tuition increase.
  - iii. 3/17/09 Cabinet meeting:
    1. The preliminary budget reduction plans for 09-10 and 10-11 for the campus were reviewed.
    2. The student resolution on the campus smoking policy was discussed. Resolution and Cabinet feedback will be sent to a campus committee for further review.
    3. Report on progress of Provost search was made, including announcement of launch of website to allow direct feedback from employees.
  
- c. Faculty Senate Report:
  - i. Meeting minutes are available online on the SOFAS website.
  
- d. Committee Liaison Report:
  - i. Allocations Committee still has funding for Academic Staff pursuing professional development activities.

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- e. UWS ASC Rep Report:
  - i. No Report submitted.
  
- f. General: Information of interest to academic staff is posted on the SOFAS website: <http://www.uwgb.edu/sofas/>.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Next meeting date TBA in CL828

**All meetings are open unless otherwise stated.**

*Respectfully Submitted by Eric Craver, Recording Secretary*