

## AGENDA

### **UW-GREEN BAY FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 1**

Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Alumni Rooms, 3:00 p.m.

Presiding Officer: John Lyon, Speaker

Parliamentarian: Steve Meyer

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 11**

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#### **3. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT** (Chancellor Miller is unavailable to join us today)

#### **4. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

- a. No continuing business

#### **5. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Election of Speaker of the Senate for 2015-16
- b. Election of the Deputy Speaker of the Senate for 2015-16
- c. Request for future business

#### **6. PROVOST'S REPORT**

#### **7. OTHER REPORTS**

- a. University Committee Summary for 2014-15 - Presented by Steve Meyer
- b. University Committee Report – Presented by UC Chair John Lyon
- c. Faculty Representative Report – Presented by Christine Vandenhouten
- d. Academic Staff Report - Presented by Josh Goldman
- e. Student Government Report - Presented by Hannah Stepp

#### **8. ADJOURNMENT**

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**MINUTES 2014-2015**  
**UW-GREEN BAY FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 11**

Wednesday, April 29, 2015  
Alumni Rooms, University Union

Presiding Officer: John Lyon, Speaker of the Senate  
Parliamentarian: Clifford Abbott

PRESENT: Greg Aldrete (HUS), Andrew Austin (DJS), Toni Damkoehler (AND), Stephen Fritz (Provost *ex officio*), Doreen Higgins (SOCW), Jenell Holstead (HUD), Ray Hutchison (URS), Mimi Kubsch (NUR-UC), Arthur Lacey (EDU), Jim Loebel (BUA), John Lyon (NAS-UC), Kaoime Malloy (Theatre and Dance), Steve Meyer (NAS-UC), Gary Miller (Chancellor, *ex officio*), Debra Pearson (HUB), Sawa Senzaki (HUD alternate), Courtney Sherman (MUS), Alison Stehlik (AND), Christine Style (HUS-UC), Brian Sutton (HUS), Linda Tabers-Kwak (EDU), Patricia Terry (NAS), Christine Vandenhouten (NUR), Elizabeth Wheat (alternate PEA), Amy Wolf (NAS).

NOT PRESENT: Adolfo Garcia (ICS), Hernan Fernandez-Meardi (HUS), Clifton Ganyard (HUS-UC), Ghadir Ishqaidef (BUA), Michael McIntire (NAS), Uwe Pott (HUB), Kristin Vespia (HUD-UC).

REPRESENTATIVES: Josh Goldman, Academic Staff; Vanya Koepke, student government

GUESTS: Scott Furlong, Sue Mattison, Christina Trombley, Lucy Arendt, Greg Davis, Tracy Heaser, Kim Desotell, Hannah Stepp, Kimberly Vlies.

**1. CALL TO ORDER.**

Bemoaning the lateness of the hour, Speaker Lyon called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES for Faculty Senate Meeting No. 10, April 8, 2015.**

The Speaker called for corrections and with none offered the minutes were declared approved.

**3. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

The Chancellor began by offering thanks, and a token of appreciation, to the Speaker and the UC Chair for their work this year (he was moved to call their efforts “fantastic”) and by congratulating Hannah Stepp as the incoming representative from student government. The Senators showed their agreement with applause. The Chancellor spent the rest of his time updating the Senate on the planning for the next state budget. He enumerated several uncertainties, a few hopes, some changes in timeline, and several possibilities still under discussion. The uncertainties include the exact size of the budget cut that gets approved by the legislature and signed by the governor (hope is fading for reductions in the face of new revenue projections), flexibilities for the UW System (hope is brighter here), and the specific allocations

of cuts within the UW System (some hope). There is now better data on revenue streams from the Office of Adult Access and revenue-based programs and on what the Chancellor calls “faculty services”, enterprises that reassign faculty from teaching. Decisions on the voluntary separation offers should be known in the next week or so. Some possibilities for reorganization are also becoming clearer. The offices of Advancement, Business and Finance, and the Chancellor present some opportunities for cost savings through reorganization as do the areas of Enrollment Services and Advising, and the Chancellor will be talking to the UC (“socializing ideas” is his term) in the near future about reorganization in the academic units. Implementing plans for targeting certain areas for investment will probably take place in the fall. The timeline for implementing cuts will be delayed as long as possible (expect the end of June for the first of them) and discussions with governance groups will probably be active over the summer. He put off a question about the shape of academic reorganization until he has had a chance to talk to the UC.

#### **4. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

a. Compensation Resolution from Committee on Workload and Compensation. The Speaker suggested to the Senate that if no one moved to remove this item from the table, a revised version could be considered directly. The Senate took its cue and was compliant. CWC Chair, Patricia Terry, then presented the revision. She explained that the CWC had followed the advice of several faculty members in generalizing and decoupling some specifics without significantly changing the intent. **Senator Meyer (Senator Kubsch second) moved its adoption.** Despite the Speaker’s request for discussion, there was none and **the motion passed (22-1-0).**

b. Elimination of Facilities Planning Committee. UC Chair, Steve Meyer, presented the second reading of this proposal to eliminate a redundancy in committee structure. **Senator Wolf (Senator Terry second) moved adoption** and the Senate, now quite comfortable with discussion-less compliance, **approved (22-0-0).**

#### **5. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Election of Speaker of the Senate for 2015-16. **Senator Terry (Senator Meyer second) nominated John Lyon to continue for another year as Speaker of the Senate.** The Senate, enthusiastically compliant at this point, voted its **approval (23-0-1)** and capped it off with applause.

b. Creation of an Executive Committee for Masters in Data Science. Dean Scott Furlong presented this proposal for an initial executive committee for the newly approved Masters in Data Science. He noted that prior approvals from the Graduate Studies Committee, the Personnel Council, the University Committee, and the Dean had all been secured. **Senator Wolf (Senator Damkoehler second) moved adoption.** Despite the Speaker’s fears that he had created a monster of efficient compliance, without discussion **the Senate voted approval (24-0-0).**

c. Request for future business. Not today.

## 6. PROVOST'S REPORT

The Provost began with a thank you to Vanya Koepke for his service, a welcome to Hannah Stepp, and a cheer to Senator Aldrete for continuing UWGB's string of state teaching awards along with a shout-out to the field of history. He had little to add to the Chancellor's update on the budget except to stress the process was moving deliberately and carefully. He ended with the observation that in his experience in nine institutions he had not seen a campus that cares more about governance than this one.

## 7. OTHER REPORTS

a. Academic Affairs Council Report. As attached to the agenda.

b. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Tracy Heaser and Kim Desotell provided the Senate with an update on plans to kick off a year-long celebration of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. They stressed the chance to celebrate our history, to (re)connect to community and alumni, and to recruit and market. There have been and will be a number of sponsors and partners (city of Green Bay, Brown County, Alumni Association, 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ashwaubenon HS, 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Neville Museum, and 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Press Gazette). The celebration has a website <http://50.uwgb.edu/> and a presence on social media (Facebook and Twitter #uwgb50). You can download a logo. The organizers are seeking stories from the past 50 years and connections to any program celebrations or events over the next year.

c. Academic Staff Report. Josh Goldman, incoming chair of the Academic Staff Committee, stretched out his typically lengthy report by telling the Senate that the Academic Staff had a recent session on shared governance and a meeting of the Academic Staff Assembly, minutes available on-line.

d. Student Government Report. Earlier in the meeting Vanya Koepke had reported on the recent election in student government with a slight increase in voter participation. He also introduced next year's President, Hannah Stepp.

e. University Committee Report. UC Chair Steve Meyer noted that the UC had referred proposals for changes in waitlist and drop policies to the Academic Actions Committee, expected to meet in June, and had interviewed candidates for the SOFAS position. He then introduced a resolution, enacted more by a sense of fun than by any proper parliamentary procedure. It is included here only to satisfy the outsized ego of your humble scribe.

### **Cliff Abbott Retirement Resolution**

**Whereas**, Cliff Abbott has committed to memory all Wisconsin Chapter 36 statutes, Wisconsin Administrative Code, UW-System Policies, Procedures, and Legal Resources, Regent Policies, the UW-Green Bay Handbook for Faculty, the UW-Green Bay Handbook for Academic Staff, the UW-Green Bay HR Policies and Procedures, the charges of every UW-Green Bay Governance Committee, and the entire volume of Roberts Rules of Order; and,

**Whereas**, Cliff Abbott can swim miles at lunch, play piano with the best, and still be perfectly coiffed for his afternoon office time; and,

**Whereas**, Cliff Abbott has an uncanny ability to wordsmith the Faculty Senate minutes so they are actually fun to read; and,

**Whereas**, Cliff Abbott can sing happy birthday in Oneida; and,

**Whereas**, Cliff Abbott can rock the red bow tie like nobody's business; and,

**Whereas**, Cliff Abbott is a gentleman and a scholar, an upstanding member of the faculty, a dedicated colleague, and just an all-round great guy; therefore,

**Be it resolved** that the Faculty Senate wishes Cliff Abbott a most happy retirement filled with adventure, fun, laughter, and nothing but enjoyment, because no one deserves it more than he does.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

With its mixture of serious business and frivolities concluded, the meeting adjourned in record time at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully and gratefully submitted,

Cliff Abbott, Secretary of the Faculty and Academic Staff