

University Committee Minutes

August 24, 2022

4:00 – 5:00 PM

via Microsoft Teams

Present: Devin Bickner (chair), Clifton Ganyard, Joan Groessl, Dan Kallgren, Nichole LaGrow, Patricia Terry, Aaron Weinschenk

Guests: Steve Meyer, Kim Mezger

Minutes: Clifton Ganyard

Meeting convened: 4:00

1. Introductions were bypassed as everyone knew everyone already.
2. UC Minutes for 4/27/2022 were approved by acclamation.
3. Bickner reminded the UC that we were scheduled for lunch with the Chancellor and Provost on 8/25/2022, and that Shared Governance leaders would meet with UWS President Rothman later in the afternoon. He asked for any topics or questions that should be raised at either of those meetings.
 - a. Weinschenk suggested discussing the proposed UWS budget, which includes a 4% GPR increase.
4. The UC discussed the roster of guests to invite to meetings on a regular basis. There was general agreement that the Provost should be invited once per month (in addition to any other times she may wish to attend) and that the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, the Vice Chancellor for Budget and Finance, and the Vice Chancellor for Advancement be invited once per semester. These guests may be asked for updates on a number of topics such as the vision for the University, developments in academic affairs, developments in student affairs, collaboration between areas, budget updates, and updates on the branch campuses, among other topics. Bickner will extend appropriate invitations.
5. The UC discussed modalities for UC and Senate meetings. Ganyard suggested trying to have one or two in-person meetings later this year. He emphasized the necessity of providing access to representatives and guests on branch campuses as well as those who may not be able to attend in person for a variety of reasons but also noted the value of in-person interactions to develop relationships and community. The UC noted the importance of equity in participation but was generally supportive of having occasional in-person meetings. The issue will be brought before the Senate at its first meeting.
6. The UC agreed to use Microsoft Teams to maintain and exchange documents.
7. The UC reviewed progress on Review of Administrators. The approved policy is available in the [Faculty Senate Agenda for 04/06/2022](#) (pp. 9-12).

- a. It was noted that the deans of CAHSS and CHESW will be reviewed in 2022-2023 with the other two deans following in 2023-2024, and the Provost and Chancellor following in 2024-2025.
 - b. The next step is for the UC, with input from SOFAS and HR, to create the survey. HR will distribute the survey.
 - c. Administrators need to be notified that they will be reviewed in a timely manner. Bickner will check with HR to make sure we are on schedule.
8. Meyer (SOFAS) recommended that the UC review and revise (as appropriate) the faculty Representative position to allow for flexibility but also encourage continuity.
 9. LaGrow noted that HR was working on a climate survey and suggested we might want to inquire about it.

Meeting adjourned 5:03

Respectfully submitted,
Clifton Ganyard