

MINUTES

University Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 14, 2015, 3:00 PM
Cofrin Library 750

Present: Clifton Ganyard, John Lyon, Steven Meyer (chair), Kristin Vespia, Josh Goldman

Guests: Associate Provost Greg Davis, Provost Stephen Fritz.

1. The UC minutes of Dec. 10, 2014 were approved with minor changes.
2. UC Chair Report
 - a. Steve provided an update on the progress that has been made by the Committee of Disability Issues to revise the Essential Job Functions for Faculty document. A current revision of the document was reviewed and discussed.
 - b. The chair reported that the question of what writing products are appropriate for fulfilling the requirements of writing emphasis courses was forwarded to the GEC for their consultation.
 - c. The chair reported that in the future the summer schedule of classes will be released with the spring schedule of classes so that students can plan their spring class schedules with knowledge of what may be offered during the summer sessions.
 - d. The chair reported that Gaurav Bansal will be a visitor at our next UC meeting to provide us information regarding the proposed MS degree in Data Science.
 - e. The chair reported that a chair will be elected for the 2015/16 academic year at our next meeting.
 - f. The chair reported that he would work on the proposal to formally split the positions of UC chair and Faculty Rep. That he would seek a 3 credit per academic year reassignment from teaching for the person holding the position of faculty representative and a 6 credit per academic year reassignment from teaching for the person holding the position of UC chair.
3. Associate Provost Greg Davis joined the meeting.
 - a. Dr. Davis informed the UC about the structure of the proposed MS program in Data Science and the way that he would like us to proceed with obtaining faculty approval for the new program. We were informed that this is a 6 school joint program and that each school would be responsible for offering 2 courses for the new program. Students would take a total of 12 courses. Each school will offer the degree and students will be able to select which school would award their degree. Issues that were being addressed were which academic program would host the degree, who would be the initial executive committee for the UWGB

portion of the program and the time line for the approval of the program and the executive committee for the program.

4. Provost Stephen Fritz
 - a. Provost Fritz joined the meeting and gave a general introduction as to what has been keeping him busy since he has joined the University. Key to this were enrollment and budget issues. He also informed us that progress was being made of the 50th anniversary celebration, changes to the Founders Association and our relationship with the Medical College of Wisconsin.
5. New Business
 - a. We were requested to review the code for the membership of the Individualized Learning Committee. The language dealing with the membership of this committee does not match the current participation in this committee.

Submitted by J. Lyon
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