

UNIVERSITY of WISCONSIN GREEN BAY

UC Meeting 12-1-2021

3:30 PM via Teams

Present: Heidi Sherman, Aaron Weinschenk, Devin Bickner, Joan Groessl, Daniel Kallgren, Jon Shelton, Patricia Terry, Virginia Englebert, Kim Metzger, Steve Meyer, Ted Evert, Holly Keener

Guests: Paula Ganyard, Michael Alexander

Agenda:

- Approval on minutes for Nov. 17th meeting
- EDI workgroup #2 proposal and discussion (cancelled)
- Open Access Policy (Paula Ganyard)
- Faculty Handbook 53.01-53.10 changes (Patricia Terry)
- Faculty senate agenda
- Chancellor business item

Minutes

1. Minutes from Nov. 17th meeting were approved
2. Patricia Terry led discussion of revisions of Chapter 53.01-53.10 of the Faculty Handbook. Due to the lack of a clean copy of the revisions, this will be post-phoned for a future discussion and Faculty Senate meeting.
3. We were reminded to submit names of faculty to serve on the General Education reform committee.
4. Jon Shelton gave a brief update of the UW System President search.
5. Paula Ganyard visited and requested that the UC consider adopting an Open Access Policy. P. Ganyard explained the Open Access Policy concept via which UWGB maintains an Institutional Repository that includes all faculty publications. The benefits were outlined as (paraphrased):
 - UWGB does not have to buy expensive journals to get faculty papers
 - Reduces profits for scholarly paper industry
 - Reduces barriers to research
 - Promotes greater reach and impact of articles
 - Help UWGB earn sustainable Gold Star rating
 - UWGB could host an open access journal

Following a lively discussion that included questions concerning

- how this might limit the ability to publish in non-participating journals, which includes Elsevier journals (many engineering and science discipline journals are Elsevier);
- creating a waiver process for faculty who need to publish in non-participating journals
- have other UW System schools adopted this policy
- who would handle the UWGB repository
- other procedural questions,

it was decided that Paula Ganyard should give a presentation to the UW-Green Bay Faculty Senate explaining what an open access policy means. Concerns and general support for this concept will be explored via this presentation.

6. Chancellor Alexander visited the UC meeting to provide information on two items;
 - Update for the future of the PRC
The Chancellor gave a rough outline on what procedure would replace requesting positions from the PRC and answered questions.
 - How to deal with Covid policies after winter break
He updated us on the future of surveillance testing in the dorms after the end of the fall semester because Prevea is having a hard time with staffing. The university will determine how to resume spring semester classes with a moving target based on Omicron, etc...
7. The UC briefly discussed the proposal to disband the CWC. Since the Chancellor has set meetings with this group to determine how to use limited funds to best address faculty and staff salary issues, it would not be prudent to disband this committee at this time.
8. Steve Meyer came to set the Agenda for the Dec. 8th Faculty Senate meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Terry