

## MINUTES

University Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, 4 March 2015, 3:15 PM  
Cofrin Library 735

Present: Clifton Ganyard, Katrina Hrivnak, Sylvia (Mimi) Kubsch, John Lyon, Steven Meyer (Chair), Christine Style, Kris Vespia, and Vanya Koepke, and Tyler Sterr (representing the SGA President)  
Guests: Dean Sue Mattison and Assoc. Prof. Lisa Poupart; Stephen Fritz: and Cliff Abbott

Meeting began at 3:15pm

- 1) The minutes from 25 February 2015 were approved.
- 2) Clif Ganyard shared the History Department Resolution and it was discussed.  
**The History faculty continues to strongly support the UWGB mission of pursuing problem-focused interdisciplinary teaching and research and remains committed to a budget structure based on interdisciplinary departments.**  
Clif noted that history faculty may have a home in either HUS or in DJS, a structure that encourages and embraces interdisciplinarity in budgetary units and in teaching. The UC decided to add it as information item at the next Senate meeting as other units may decide to write their own resolution.
- 3) Dean Sue Mattison and Prof. Lisa Poupart talked about the history and accelerated process for the Ed.D. in First Nations Education. There is a clear need for such a program and it would be the first of its kind in the nation. This has been in the works since about 2010 but then System requested that it be a collaboration. The Ed.D. will collaborate with four other UWs: UW-La Crosse, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Stevens Point, and UW-Milwaukee. The audience for this degree would be 1) Title 7 staff; 2) Ho Chunk Nation; 3) students continuing on after getting their Masters in Applied Leadership at UWGB, 4) other administrators and educators throughout the state. UW-Duluth is phasing out their Ph.D. in First Nations, mostly in response to student realization that a Ph.D. (Western-based) is not in keeping with First Nations structure. The Ed.D. has an applied structure that returns what is learned back into the community.  
  
There will be a first reading of the Ed.D. First Nations at the 11 March Senate meeting. The authors hope that the first classes would begin in Fall 2016.
- 4) Discussion to change code regarding duration between Senate meeting times to allow for more UC meetings. It as proposed to change 52.06(A) Meetings. *The Senate shall normally meet monthly during the academic year, or as business dictates.*
- 5) Provost Stephen Fritz: shared his congratulations for the Nursing Program, who successfully completed their 3-day accreditation with flying colors. He will attend the Regents meeting on Thursday March 5 in Madison, which according to Provost Fritz will be a process of discovery. He noted the recent discoveries of substantial funds used for reassignments/release time, overloads, and adjunct faculty. These are all to be looked at closely to see if there is a different way to manage these. He remains optimistic: “we will emerge as a stronger institution.” And “There will need to be some efficiencies.”
- 6) Clif Abbott came in to set the 11 March 2015 Senate Agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Style