

MINUTES

University Committee Meeting
Wednesday, July 8, 2015, 11:00-12:00 PM
TH 331 C

Present: Clifton Ganyard (chair), Katrina Hrivnak, Sylvia (Mimi) Kubsch, John Lyon, Christine Style, Patricia Terry, Kristin Vespia, Christine Vandenhouten

1. Minutes: The Minutes from 5/4/2015 were approved.
2. Committee on Rights and Responsibilities: The UC discussed suggestions made by Professor Michael Draney, CRR Chair, regarding changing the required timeline of notifications. There was some concern that these guidelines might be stipulated by either BoR policy or state statute. Ganyard will inquire about possible conflicts.
3. University Committee Charge: Professor Steve Meyer, outgoing UC Chair, proposed a change to the UC charge suggesting that the charge should include invitations to Academic Staff, University Staff, and Student representatives. While the UC agreed that while it should be as inclusive and as transparent as possible, changing the charge is unnecessary. Academic Staff and Student representatives have been invited to UC meetings, and University Staff representatives should be included in the future. The UC agreed that sharing information with the entire university community is important.

In addition, Professor John Lyon suggested that it might be worthwhile to create a Shared Governance Roundtable that would include the chairs of each of the governance committees (University Committee, Academic Staff Committee, University Staff Committee, and Student Government Association) as well as the SOFAS. Ganyard will suggest this to Professor Steve Meyer, incoming SOFAS.

4. Tenure Policy: The UC began discussing the development of UWGB's Tenure policy, especially in regard to program modification/discontinuance. After discussing several of the UW System documents, the UC decided that both UW System Code and UWGB Policy should be consulted first to determine what is already in policy.

In addition, it was agreed to divide up the process for developing UWGB's policy among UC members with particular attention to the University of Michigan Standard Practice Document.

Ganyard will distribute more information and the assignments for which sections each individual is to look at for the next UC meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, 7/22/2015, 11:00-12:00 in TH 331 C.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Clifton Ganyard.