

**MINUTES**  
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay University Committee

Present:

30 November 2011

3:00 pm, CL 830

Previous Meeting—23 November 2011

Dave Dolan  
Tim Kaufman  
Bryan Vescio  
Michael Draney  
Derek Jeffreys  
Ray Hutchison  
Linda Parins, Academic Staff Representative

Guest: Julia Wallace, Provost; Hebbe Mohamed, SGA Representative; Members of the Faculty Senate Planning and Budget Committee

- 1) The minutes of the meeting of 23 November 2011 were approved by consensus.
- 2) CWC Update: Professor Dolan gave an overview of his recent trip to Madison and the proceedings of the meeting.
- 3) Weidner Center Meeting: Linda Parins will attend this Friday's meeting on future of the Weidner Center. She will report back to the UC at our meeting on December 14th.

### **Old Business**

- 1) Faculty Senate Planning and Budget Committee (FSPBC): The UC met with FSPBC Chair Susan Gallagher-Lepak and members of this committee. Professor Draney gave a brief overview to the committee and proceeded with a discussion. The discussion centered on the frustration of the committee and its history of ineffectiveness related to an unrealistic charge, in addition to confusion about the budget process and the role of faculty input at the administrative level. The UC feels that faculty need to play an active role in this process, and that the UC is in a good position to work with administration in achieving faculty recommendations.

Members of the FSPBC gave a summary of their experiences in past meetings related to budget decisions. The UC sought feedback from the committee in regards to their charge, as they understood it. In addition, the UC recommended more formalizing the process with the committees and the administration. The idea of a more responsive Faculty Senate was also suggested and recommended.

- 2) Merit Clarity Project: Professor Draney presented a draft of a proposed code change to move to 4 year cycles of merit reviews for tenured faculty. This was unanimously supported by members of the UC and will be presented to faculty senate.
- 3) Proposals for New Interdisciplinary Budgetary Units: The UC discussed this issue and expressed very mixed feeling on the issue. All were pleased that this would be a 1<sup>st</sup> reading at the next Faculty Senate meeting, and desire faculty input on this issue.

- 4) Proposed Change to Declaration of Major Policy: Members of the UC supported the Registrars' revision of the sentence submitted in this document.

### New Business

- 1) Meet with Provost Wallace: Provost Wallace updated UC members on the ongoing administrative searches in progress. In addition, the UC discussed their early meeting with the FSPBC and some of the perceptions discussed including the passive nature of the committee. All agreed that a more active role would benefit everyone concerned. Additional conversation included where the FSPBC would be most effective and in what role.
- 2) Meet with SOFAS Cliff Abbott: The UC discussed the Faculty Senate Agenda, and worked to finalize the Agenda for our Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> meeting

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Kaufman  
Secretary Pro Tempore