

MINUTES
UW Green Bay University Committee

Present:

Steven Meyer (Chair)

Illene Noppe

Laura Riddle

Meir Russ

Brian Sutton

Dean VonDras

Lisa DeLeeuw (Academic Staff rep.)

Jamie Froh (Student Government rep.)

24 September 2008

3:30 pm, CL 825

Previous Meeting:

10 September 2008

Guest: Interim Provost William Laatsch

- 1) The minutes of 10 September 2008 were reviewed and approved.
- 2) Information Exchange with Chair Steven Meyer:
 - a) Chair Steven Meyer noted recent business discussed by the Chancellor's Cabinet, noting that the University is working to implement Crisis Communication both online and through a voluntary text message service in addition to public address systems already in place. The Chair also shared UW System statistics on rate of transfers from the two-year colleges and indicated that the University plans to increase transfer prospects through marketing. The Chair also brought to the attention of the UC members that University administration is aware of ongoing issues with faculty summer salaries.
- 3) Continuing Business:
 - a) The UC revisited a proposal concerning "unit alignment" for certain programs without a clearly designated budgetary unit, specifically Women's Studies and First Nations Studies. Members of the UC agreed that no further change to code was needed at this time.
 - b) The UC reviewed the timeline for the Administrator Evaluation process to be implemented this year.
- 4) New Business:
 - a) The SOFAS has drafted changes to the faculty handbook that address duplication in sections 51 and 3. Professor Abbott will be invited to our next meeting for discussion of these proposed changes.
 - b) A list of potential faculty nominees for replacement positions on the Sustainability Council was compiled.
 - c) The UC generated a list of recommendations for a replacement position on the Senate Legislative Committee.

- d) Illene Noppe provided some options for discussion on Faculty Senate caucus. The materials were briefly reviewed and it was agreed that discussion on this issue should continue at our next meeting.
- e) The UC discussed senator concerns about the changed meeting time for Faculty Senate. The change is intended to be effective only for the Fall 2008 semester and will be discussed at the next Senate meeting.
- f) Due to time constraints, continued discussion on the graduation requirement of an interdisciplinary major or minor was tabled.

5) Information Exchange with Interim Provost Laatsch:

- a) The Interim Provost expressed concern for the potential loss of faculty leadership due to retirements. He hopes to support leadership development opportunities for faculty noting past successes of the American Council on Education Fellows Program.
- b) The Interim Provost requested that the UC review the University's online training on sexual harassment in the workplace with hopes that the UC would provide endorsement of this program.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Riddle, secretary pro tempore