Minutes

Meeting of the University of Wisconsin, Green Bay University Committee

March 13, 2012

Cofrin Library 750

3:00 - 5:00 pm

Attendance: Greg Davis, Derek Jeffreys (chair), Mimi Kubsch, Ryan Martin (recording), Steve Meyer, Kristin Aoki, (Academic Staff Rep), Bryan Vescio

Guests: Provost Julia Wallace, Heba Mohammad

Meeting called to order at 3:00 pm

I. Minutes of the February 27, 2013 UC Meeting were approved.

II. Discussion of the March 6, 2013 Faculty Senate Meeting
   a. The UC discussed the tabled amendments to the three proposals for new majors in engineering technology. The discussion focused on the process from here and whether or not those proposals would be taken off the table at the next meeting.
   b. The UC also discussed the procedure regarding the slate of approval of the slate of candidates for elective committees.
   c. Steven Meyer gave additional detail on his faculty rep report, including a discussion of the universal 30 credit core that had been proposed in Governor Walker’s budget. Concerns were expressed regarding how classes will be chosen, whether or not UW-Green Bay is required to participate in this, and what the purpose of these core classes is. Steven Meyer also reported on the flex degree program, indicating that very little had happened since his last report. It was also noted that academic staff have concerns about the management of the program. Last, Steven Meyer discussed that status our D2L contract, indicating that there was high satisfaction with D2L across the system and it would likely be renewed for a short-term contract.

III. Discussion of Enhancing Research at UWGB
   a. The UC discussed various ways the university could be more supportive of scholarship including clarification of what “counts” as scholarship, a center for scholarship support, greater university acknowledgement of scholarship, a course reassignment for the Intuitional Review Board Chairperson, and greater recognition that faculty should not be required to engage in scholarship when they are not on contract with the university.

IV. Meeting with the Provost
   a. Provost Wallace discussed a number of items including her excitement regarding the Leonardo Da Vinci statue that had been gifted to UW-Green Bay (highlighting that only five universities in the world have been given such a gift), 16 promotions (9 associate professors and 7 full professors) that had occurred this year, the 12 million dollar capital campaign that was being kicked off this year, and the status of the engineering technology majors and
plans to bring in a consultant. She also discussed the open records request that had been filed and how this is the fourth of these to be filed and they tend to be a lot of work for the staff involved in processing the requests. Finally, she responded to questions about the plan to rotate the commencement speaker between areas, indicating that it was a mistake and that the decision had been changed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Martin