UW-Green Bay University Committee
Minutes
September 18, 2013
3- 5 pm
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Present: Greg Davis, Mimi Kubsch, Ryan Martin, Steven Meyer, Bryan Vescio (chair), Kristy Aoki (Academic Staff Representative), Heba Mohammad (Student Government Association Representative).
Absent: Cristin Ortiz

Guests: Provost Julia Wallace and Amanda Hruska

I. The minutes of September 4, 2013 were approved as written.

II. Announcements
   a. The Chairs of Professional Programs have voiced concerns over the way the budget was implemented over the summer specifically how the budget cuts were handled. Professional Chairs will be at the next UC meeting to discuss this issue.
   b. Bryan met with the Chancellor regarding faculty representation on the Chancellor’s Cabinet. The Chancellor clarified that the Cabinet is comprised only of people who report to him. The Chancellor did say that he is willing to discuss budgets with the faculty before decisions are made to allow faculty the chance for providing input. The UC would recommend dates, times and who would be invited to these meetings. It was suggested that there be a meeting this fall and in February before the budget is set in Madison.
   c. The CWC has received complaints regarding the way things were handled with the raises for the bottom 40%. One reason has been cited that the problem was “clerical” another is that there were no letters sent to Academic Staff. There were also complaints from those who did receive letters and met with their supervisors that the supervisors were not able to explain how decisions were made.
   d. Bryan shared another issue regarding summer classes. Seems there is talk that 102 funds will not be used to pay summer salaries of 1/9th. This means that faculty will not be paid 1/9 rather will only be paid a minimum of $3,000 up to 1/7 of salary. The issue over how the raises were allocated has had an impact on lowering morale.

III. The concern of a threat to shared governance at UWGB was discussed. The question is how does the UC respond? UWGB United has drafted a resolution regarding this issue. It was suggested that the UC draft its own resolution because the resolution would then come from the faculty. The topic of drafting a resolution from the UC will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

IV. Julia Wallace mentioned that the Board of Trustees has developed an advocacy group that will start advocating between the University and the Legislature regarding increased flexibility of budget lines. She announced that there is a good pool of candidates for the AD position and that there first are coming to campus next week. Next Julia discussed that Shared Governance issue and suggested that the UC be ready to draft a resolution, however public outcry is premature.
V.  Greg brought up a public safety issue regarding doors that are locked which makes it difficult to get in the buildings in case of emergency. Another public Safety issue is that the Public Safety Officers have been see miles away from the campus giving out tickets.

VI.  Registrar Amanda Hruska met with us to discuss the difference between WF and F grades. It was pointed out that there is a financial aid consideration in assigning a WF rather than an F. With the WF it will need to be known when the student stopped attending class and the financial aid for that portion of the course will need to be returned.

VII.  Bryan shared that student representation on several governance committees is lacking. He said specifically there are 8 committees that need student representation. Heba explained that there is a problem in that there aren’t enough students who are active in student government to serve on all of the committees. Bryan suggested that the UC send out a campus wide email inviting students to be on governance committees. It was suggested that he wait a couple of weeks to send out the email till all committees have met.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Mimi Kubsch