MINUTES
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay University Committee

Present: 14 December 2011
Dave Dolan
3:00 pm, CL 830
Tim Kaufman
Previous Meeting—30 November 2011
Bryan Vescio
Michael Draney
Derek Jeffreys
Linda Parins, Academic Staff Representative

Guest: Julia Wallace, Provost; Hebbe Mohamed, SGA Representative

Minutes and General Discussion: Due to a computer problem, the minutes from 30 November 2011 were unavailable at meeting time, and will be reviewed during the next UC meeting.

Informational Items

1) Discuss 7 December Senate Meeting: Members of the UC discussed the proceedings from the Dec. 7th Faculty Senate meeting. Discussion centered on the merit review proposal discussed. The UC decided to revise the proposal to read: a required merit review should occur every 5 years instead of 4 years, consistent with UW System policy.

2) CWC report: Professor Dolan reported that the committee met last week, but added no new news.

3) Weidner Center Report: Linda Parins reported on a very positive Weidner Center Meeting which included a detailed plan rolled out by Chancellor Hardin. More information will follow.

Old Business

1) Faculty Senate Planning and Budget Committee (FSPBC): The UC discussed their perceptions from the meeting on Nov. 30 with this committee. The UC is disappointed with the current structure, and suggest a future focus on the FSPBC. The UC will continue to discuss this issue and suggest improvements.

2) “Merit Clarity” Project Revision: See the every 4 years to every 5 year revision under informational items listed above.

3) Proposals for New Interdisciplinary Budgetary Units: Members of the UC discussed feedback from the Dec. 7th meeting regarding this issue. We look forward to the discussion at Faculty Senate on Jan. 25th.
4) **Proposed Change to Declaration of Major Policy:** The UC supports the wording change to this proposal and will recommend a word choice change to “discuss” from “declare.” This draft will be presented at the next faculty senate meeting.

5) **Extended Degree Enrollment Policy:** Members of the UC expressed concern over the decision regarding the ability for regular students to register for extended degree classes. The UC felt this was a curricular issue and had concerns about the lack of faculty input in this decision.

**New Business**

1) **Meet with Provost Wallace:** Provost Wallace updated UC members on the ongoing administrative searches in progress—Associate Provost and Vice Chancellor. Members of the UC discussed the Chancellor’s Strategic Plan and reported that the Plan has been reviewed by Faculty Senate. In addition, the UC requested feedback from the Provost regarding FSPBC and posed the question of disbanding this committee and having the UC choose faculty representatives to serve an active role in the budget process.

2) **Lucy Arendt’s Request to UC:** The UC discussed the request by Professor Arendt for an examination of merit review processes and best practices. They decided that these reviews vary by unit and are currently well defined.

The meeting adjourned at 4:52 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Kaufman
Secretary Pro Tempore