A regular meeting of the University Senate Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Freymiller at 3:02 p.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 in the Council Oak Room of Davies Center.

1) Approval of the Minutes of April 5, 2016
   • Approved as distributed

2) Ten Minute Open Forum
   • Board of Regents Meeting
     • Madison sent their program discontinuation and tenure policies to the BOR, which amended it and eliminated entire sections
     • There is no appeal, but Madison Senate could submit them again; BOR would not have to consider the resubmission
     • This is the first time BOR has done line item editing and it sets a precedence
     • As UWEC makes it proposals, BOR could also edit them
     • Madison faculty are outraged
     • UW System would usually send it back to campus and tell us what they didn’t like
     • What they did gave the chancellors more power
   • Nomination of Chair-elect
     • Concerns were raised that the University Senate Nominating Committee didn’t solicit nominations prior to the first University Senate meeting in April 2016
     • Handbook may need to be rewritten
       • Nominating Committee is in charge of all senate positions unless a special process is designated and the Nominating Committee has called people in the past
       • The FASRP simply states when it happens, but process should go through the Nominating Committee; names should not already be on the agenda
     • Handbook should be amended to reflect how we should go forward from
       • We will have elections on April 26th, but it could be changed prior to 2018 in the FASRP
     • Vice Chair-elect is nominated at the first meeting in the fall and the same process should be followed

Without objection, the surround part of the UW-Eau Claire Mission Statement to be heard prior to the review of the tentative agenda for April 26, 2016 meeting of the University Senate

3) Review of tentative agenda for April 26, 2016 meeting of University Senate
   • Approved as amended
     • Topic of the Day to be moved to May 10, 2016 as an item of New Business
     • Specific titling language to come from Senator Ducksworth-Lawton

Motion to cancel Unfinished Business item d) Topic of the Day: EDI Implementation Plan and bring it forward as a New Business item for the May 10, 2016 University Senate meeting, second

VOTE on MOTION: PASSED
4) Surround part of the UW-Eau Claire Mission Statement
   - Only talking about the surround part of the Mission Statement, not our select mission
   - Platteville questioned our ability to put forward our engineering degree because it wasn’t in our Mission Statement
     - They cited Chapter 36 1.9.b
   - We used to include the contextual piece
   - The surround part has to be more obvious
   - Mission Statement can’t be future oriented; only what we are allowed to do and it needs to list general categories
   - We do not have all engineering programs so we used the word “select”
   - There is a graduate program in Data Science, but it is not listed
   - No intention to list suspended programs
   - Provost Kleine will revisit what programs are listed and will keep us informed
   - Program can be brought back without going through the BOR
   - Mission Statement deserves some highlighting or indentation to make it really apparent

5) Announcements
   - Strategic Plan
     - Opportunity for one to weigh in
     - Location to be announced
   - There will be a math retreat all day on Monday

Meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

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