Members Present:


Members Absent:

Linda Carpenter, Ken De Meuse, Joel Duncan, Meg Dwyer, Bruce Dybvik, Marc Goulet, Betty Hanson, Jeannie Harms, Sean Hartnett, Jeremy Hein, Mary Iribarren, Richard Kark, Debra King, Barbara Mac Briar, John Melrose, Andrew Phillips, Bobby Pitts, Richard Ryberg, Thomas Wagener, Sharon Westphal, Rebecca Wurzer

Guests:

Jacob Anderson, Mark Clark, Bernard Duyfhuizen, Gene Hood, Dale Johnson, Karen Kremer, Teresa Sanislo, Andrew Soll, Nathan Titus, Ted Wendt

The regular meeting of University Senate was called to order by Chair Harrison at 3:02 p.m. Tuesday, February 11, 2003 in the Tamarack Room of Davies Center

1. Without objection, minutes of January 28, 2003 meeting of University Senate approved as distributed

2. Chancellor Remarks – Chancellor Mash

- Budget
  - Governor at regents meeting last week said helpful things in terms of what he would like to be able to do and importance he attaches not only to K-12 education, but higher education as well
  - Budget issue dealing with is very deep; he and his staff appear to be as helpful as possible
  - He avoided being pinned down in an interview after meeting about cap on tuition
    - Sees tuition as user fee of sorts
    - Some Republicans attempting to make case that user fees are taxes and governor said no more taxes
    - Governor seems to be distancing himself from that view
  - Katharine Lyall presented budget management principles at that meeting also
    - UW-System will first look to cut administrative expenses most removed from serving students
      - Students may see some slowdown and impact
    - UW-System will look to eliminate or merge academic programs and majors with low enrollments or parallel programs located elsewhere
      - Part of review happening across system now
    - Positions and personnel are certainly going to be lost as a result of budget reduction because 85% of most campuses budgets are in personnel
    - UW-System will support tuition increases that place UW campuses close to mid-point when compared to peer institutions
When Iowa implements announced tuition increase, Madison will be at bottom of Big 10

Comprehensives in system are at 34th, 35th, and 36th out of 39 upper Midwest regional public universities in tuition levels – so near bottom as well

Need to move tuition levels to midpoint of peer groups; not in one year and not in this biennium, but over time

Also need to make sure financial aid funding matches tuition increases

UW-System will review and adjust enrollment targets only if necessary after above steps taken

Being careful with access issue, but continuing to clearly state will have to be assessed after size of cuts are determined

Series of budget discussions to be held on campus to ask questions, hear what we have been doing, how we are positioning ourselves, what issues are, and to have opportunity for grass roots input into process

Way we manage communication critically important to minimize pain and help keep morale at reasonable level

Will have communication set up through web site – what is and isn’t happening

Example – need to be clear that football stadium and new student center being discussed are entirely financed by segregated fees

Key point is we are not talking about dollars state is reducing

Budget at UW-Eau Claire is $135 million

$75 million of that for education programs and institutional support

Comes two-thirds from state tax dollars; one-third from student tuition

This is budget we talk about managing and where we will feel pain

Sheet distributed with name tags lists specific impact of private dollars at this university

Things are happening; attempting to move ahead where we can and do what we can

Thinking of future and avoiding sense of helplessness by continuing to do things to help ourselves

Campaign is going well; continuing to work very hard at this

On Thursday morning, will be good news item of national scope and consequence that will be testimony to great work being done on this campus – validation and reaffirmation of quality work that each one of you are doing

3. Chair and Faculty Representative Report – Chair Harrison

Chair’s report includes review of last faculty reps meeting and last week’s Board of Regents meeting

4. Academic Staff Representative Report – Senator Wilcox

Next meeting February 20, 2003

5. Unfinished Business - None

6. Reports of Committees

Executive Committee – Chair Harrison

Next meeting February 18, 2003

Hope to bring closure to pending motion dealing with nepotism by forwarding to Senate

Faculty Personnel Committee – Senator Wick

Next meeting February 14, 2003

To discuss post-tenure/indefinite status salary increase policies

Review working group progress on handbook language pertaining to

Periodic review

Complaints and grievances

Search and screen committees

Academic Staff Personnel Committee – Senator Wilcox

Next meeting February 13, 2003; discussing

Proposed changes in election of academic staff representative and other Senate officers

Post-tenure/indefinite status salary policies that Faculty Personnel Committee considering

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♦ Academic Policies Committee – Senator Syverson  
  Next meeting February 18, 2003  
  To continue discussion of General Education philosophy and criteria brought forth by University General Education Committee  
  In process of requesting grade data from Registrar’s Office for every five years for last 20 years, to examine grading issues on campus  

♦ Physical Plant Planning Committee – Senator Stuettgen  
  Next meeting February 14, 2003  
  Update on Davies Center building project, as well as parking and transportation issues  

♦ Budget Committee  
  Next meeting March 4, 2003  

♦ Compensation Committee – Vice Chair Gapko  
  To meet last week of February  
  Discussing subcommittee report on salary adjustment policy  

♦ Nominating Committee – Senator Reed  
  All Senate Committees full; Nominating Committee has not met  

♦ Technology Committee – Senator Lang  
  Next meeting February 18, 2003  
  Solicited input from faculty participating in online course development  
  As prelude to intellectual property policy, creating list of points faculty should be aware of when entering into online course production or working with an online course  

7. Special Reports  
♦ Women’s History Month – Dr. Teresa Sanislo, Chair, Commission on Status of Women  
  Pamphlets on number of different events on campus during Women’s History Month distributed  
  Wanted to get information out about events scheduled for March; calendar of events to be on website soon  

♦ Provost Task Force on Program Review – Senator Syverson  
  Provost named ad hoc committee to evaluate department/unit review process on campus to decide if more effective review process possible  
  Interested in obtaining more information about strengths of departments to be used for making resource allocation decisions  
  Committee includes: Kent Syverson, Margaret Cassidy, Roger Selin, Larry Solberg, and Janice Morse  
  One idea would be to create a standing committee responsible solely for departmental reviews  
  Would gain experience with potential to come up with more objective recommendations and additional information to guide resource allocation  
  Reviews now go through Academic Policies Committee  
  Please send opinions on topic to one of committee members; very interested in input  
  Ad Hoc Committee charge open-ended; recommendations would eventually have to go through shared governance structure  

8. Miscellaneous Business  

A. Academic Policies Committee – First Reading  
Report on Dropping Communication and Journalism Major and Minors – Senator Syverson  
  Proposal from Department of Communication and Journalism to drop three emphases within program  
  Emphases have limited enrollments and don’t fit long-range plans of department  
  Committee decided department should know best whether emphases necessary  
  Proposal unanimously passed by department, Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committees, and Arts & Sciences faculty  

Motion 39-AP-11  
Moved and seconded by Academic Policies Committee (10-0) that the following emphases be dropped from the Department of Communication and Journalism curriculum:  
  a) Major: Mass Communication, Liberal Arts Electronic Media Emphasis (Code 584-240)
b) Minor: Mass Communication, Liberal Arts Electronic Media Emphasis (Code 584-408)

c) Minor: Communication, Liberal Arts Training & Development Emphasis (Code 583-451)

Debate

- Although training and development popular career choice, minor had consistent average enrollment of four
- Students interested in training and development generally major in organizational communication, which
gives whole range of training and development, managerial classes and additional experience

MOTION by Senator Freymiller that rules be suspended to allow item to be voted on today seconded and
PASSED

Vote on Motion 39-AP-11: Motion PASSED without dissention by University Faculty Senators

B. Academic Policies Committee – First Reading

Report on Art Department Name Change – Senator Syverson

- Department of Art believes name change to Department of Art & Design better publicizes multi-faceted nature
  of program to potential students; trend in field of art to show graphic design also found within department
- Committee felt Art Department best judge of most appropriate name for department
  - Proposal supported by 9 to 3 vote in department
  - Also approved by Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee and Arts & Sciences faculty
- Committee did discuss that change may generate some additional expenses
- One person felt change overemphasized one aspect of visual arts; all art involves some aspects of design so
  not necessary in title
- Response to questions from floor
  - Art & Design proposed as opposed to Art & Graphic Design because wanted to emphasize design utilized
    in various media in department and as core component of many different types of art production
  - Of dissenting departmental votes, two probably voted against because thought it was too radical, one voted
    against because thought it was too conservative of a gesture

Motion 39-AP-12

Moved and seconded by Academic Policies Committee (7-0) that the proposed name change from the
Department of Art to the Department of Art & Design be approved

MOTION by Senator Lozar that rules be suspended to allow item to be voted on today seconded and PASSED

Vote on Motion 39-AP-12: Motion PASSED without dissention by University Faculty Senators

- Using ampersand critical for graphic design faculty – felt more in line with trends in area
  - Advised by Registrar’s Office that use of symbol (&) was possible

9. Announcements - None

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. without objection

Wanda Schulner
Secretary to the University Senate