A regular meeting of the University Senate Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Freymiller at 3:05 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2016 in the Council Oak Room of Davies Center.

1) Approval of the Minutes of March 15, 2016
   • Approved as amended
     • **No shared governance processes appear to have been followed** for the Chancellor’s appointment of the Director of Blugold Central
     • **For the Director of the Advising, Retention and Career Center**, an email was sent to potential applicants who were thought to be qualified for the position

2) Ten Minute Open Forum
   • BOR to consider UW Madison’s tenure and program discontinuation policy
     • This will be first test to see where Regents stand on campus tenure policies
     • Not happy that the BOR abandoned discussion on budget cuts
     • FPC will probably recommend changes to tenure policy in FASRP in Fall 2016
   • Upcoming Searches
     • UWEC commitment to EDI should be to have open searches; if we have open searches we would have more choices, but if departments/units are being merged layoffs could occur
     • Chancellor Schmidt decided to hire from within UWEC because that is what members of shared governance Executive committees wanted
     • There is a provision in FASRP about merging departments; for academic staff it requires that it only be internal to the department for limited
     • Chancellor intends to proceed with internal searches open to the entire UWEC campus
     • Advisory group will help review applications
     • Chancellor Schmidt is concerned about the decision to search internally
     • Merger language in FASRP to address current restructuring is not really clear
     • Chancellor Schmidt would like additional feedback

3) Review of tentative agenda for April 12, 2016 meeting of University Senate
   • Approved as amended
     • Addition of two Joint Motions from FPC and ASPC, titled Administrator Review Committee and Process and Changes to Administrator Search Processes
     • Clarification about how EDI Implementation Plan will be implemented as “Topic for the Day”
     • Language to be sent to Secretary Kenney from Ann Rupnow and Selika Ducksworth-Lawton
     • Certificate in Ojibwe Language and Certificate in Ancient Studies will be For the Record items
     • Addition of a report from the Senate Budget Committee
4) Announcements
- Viennese Ball is Friday and Saturday
- ASPC surveyed academic staff and those results/conclusions will be shared with Executive Committee
- Student Senate is considering a student referendum about our tobacco/smoking policy
  - Results might require some work for PPPC
- Zika virus is arriving in North America
  - Student Health Center has some updates about the virus on their website
- Next week’s University Faculty and University Academic Staff Spring Meeting will be followed by a Budget Impact Forum with the Chancellor

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Submitted by,
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