Members Present:

Members Absent:
  Mohammad Alasagheirin, Cindy Albert, Maria Carvalho, Lisa Coen, Jeff Erger, Luke Fedie, Dan Gharrity, Pat Kleine, Marie Koissi, Julia Lehman Caldwell, Pat Montanye, Leah Olson-McBride, Heather Pearson, Audrey Robinson, Lois Slattery, Pedro Sottile, Dan Stevenson, Ganga Vadhavkar, Odawa White

Guests:
  Chip Eckardt, Debra Jansen

The regular meeting of University Senate was called to order by Chair Freymiller at 3:03 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 in the Dakota Ballroom of Davies Center.

1) Approval of the September 13, 2016 University Senate minutes
   • Approved as distributed with correction regarding members present

2) Administrator Remarks – Chancellor Schmidt
   • Happy Homecoming week
   • Next two weeks will be busy with Homecoming, Centennial Celebrations, conclusion of UWEC Foundation Centennial campaign, Board of Regents meeting, and Centennial Gala
     • Board of Regents only visit every five or six years, so this is an opportunity for UWEC to differentiate ourselves from our sister institutions
     • Merit and equity working groups have been formed
     • Senate Executive Committee will meet next Tuesday to discuss EDI Implementation Team

3) Reports
   a) Report from University Senate Chair Freymiller
      • Concerns have arisen regarding quorums and ability to conduct business
        • Robert’s Rules of Order emphatically states that no business can be conducted by an elected body if a quorum is not present
        • If quorum does not exist, the meeting must be immediately adjourned;
        • However, it is perfectly permissible for the membership to engage in informal conversation about any of the topics that were on the agenda
        • According to our FASRP (page 26), “At meetings of the University Senate or its committees, a quorum shall consist of a majority of the members eligible to vote”
        • In cases where there are vacancies, the quorum is determined by the number of VOTING members on the committee, not the number of members published in the FASRP
        • There is a significant difference between vacancies and absences by members of a body who do not show up for meetings; the latter must be included when determining whether a quorum is present
        • As long as a quorum exists under these rules, official business can be conducted
b) Report from Executive Committee
   • On September 20, Executive Committee approved a proposal changing language in the FASRP regarding formation of search committees for Directors and Dean of Students
   • That motion will be presented during new business today
   • Executive Committee went into closed session for consultation regarding membership on the University Assessment Committee

c) Academic Staff Personnel Committee
   • Academic Staff Promotion workshop was held earlier this week
   • Contact Academic Staff Representative Wilson with any questions

4) Special Orders
   a) University Senate Elections for University Senate Committees (see details next on page)
   b) University-wide Elections to fill vacancies on University Committees (see details on next page)

5) New Business
   a) First Reading: Motion from the University Senate Executive Committee

   **Committee Formation**

   Debate
   • None

   **MOTION to suspend the rules to vote on this today, seconded**

   **Vote to suspend the rules to vote on this today: PASSED**

   **Vote on Motion 53-SE-01: PASSED**

6) Announcements
   • Start your Homecoming weekend at the Blugold alumni gathering on Friday, Sept. 30, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Ojibwe Ballroom of the Davies Center
   • At approximately 4:00 pm, Faculty Personnel Committee will sponsor an open forum regarding post-tenure review policies that will be discussed by University Senate in October
   • Next meeting of the University Senate is October 11th in the Dakota Ballroom of the Davies Center
   • Following that meeting there will be a program celebrating shared governance

Without objection, meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

Submitted by,

Tanya Kenney
Secretary to the University Senate
2016 Committee Vacancies for the September 27, 2016 University Senate Meeting

**Executive Committee**

Officers:
- Mitch Freymiller, Chair
- Sean McAleer, Vice Chair
- Geoff Peterson, Political Science, Faculty Rep.
- Katie Wilson, Student Health Services, Academic Staff Rep
- Holly Hassemer, Vice-Chair-elect

Continuing members of the Executive Committee:
- Jim Phillips, Chemistry
- Jean Pratt, Information Systems
- Todd Stephens, Special Education
- Lisa Schiller, nursing
- Bob Hooper, Geology
- John Pollitz, Library
- Marc Mc Ellistrem, Materials Science
- Janice Bogstad, Library
- Evan Weiher, Biology
- Ryan Banaszak, Housing & Residence Life
- Jasmine Case, Advising
- Jason Anderson, University Centers

One (1) vacancy for Faculty Senator for a two-year term

*Report of the University Senate Nominating Committee*

**Nominees:**

**Faculty Any Area:**

Additional nominations from the floor: Ganga VadHAVkar, Communication & Journalism and Marquell Johnson, Kinesiology

Elected to serve on the University Senate Executive Committee: Marquell Johnson

**Academic Policies Committee**

Continuing members:
- Selika Ducksworth-Lawton, History, A&S
- Bob Hooper, Geology, A&S
- Sean McAleer, Philosophy & Religious Studies, A&S
- Marie-Claire Koissi, Mathematics, A&S
- Hans Kishel, Library
- Marquell Johnson, Kinesiology
- Janice Bogstad, Library
- Evan Weiher, Biology

Two (2) vacancies for University Faculty Senators
One from College of NHS for a two-year term; One from College of Business for a three-year term

*Report of the University Senate Nominating Committee*

**Nominees:**

College of Nursing and Health Sciences: Mohammad Alasagheirin

College of Business:

Additional nominations from the floor: None

Without objection, Mohammad Alasagheirin will serve on the Academic Policies Committee

Elected to serve on the University Senate Academic Policies Committee: Mohammad Alasagheirin
Budget Committee

Continuing members:
- Deb Pattee, Education Studies, EHS
- Ryan Banaszak, Housing & Residence Life
- Holly Hassemer, Academic Skills, UAS

Two (2) vacancies for senators
One from College of A&S for a one-year term; One must be University Academic Staff for a three-year term

Report of the University Senate Nominating Committee

Nominees:
A&S:
University Academic Staff:

Additional nominations from the floor: Carrie Applegate, English

Without objection, Carrie Applegate will serve on the University Senate Budget Committee
Elected to serve on the University Senate Budget Committee: Carrie Applegate

Compensation Committee

Continuing members:
- Elected Senators:
  - Jana Armstrong, Advising/New Student Initiatives
  - Robin Miller, Library
  - Gretchen Peters, Music & Theatre Arts
- Elected by University Faculty at-large:
  - Dan Strouthes, Anthropology
  - Manda Riehl, Mathematics
- Elected by University Academic Staff at-large:
  - Jodi Bohl, Admissions
  - Melissa Boellaard, Nursing

One (1) vacancy for a University Academic Staff Senator for a three-year term

Report of the University Senate Nominating Committee

Nominees:
- University Academic Staff: Audrey Robinson, Academic Skills

Additional nominations from the floor: None

Without objection, Audrey Robinson will serve on the University Senate Compensation Committee
Elected to serve on the University Senate Compensation Committee: Audrey Robinson

University Senate Nominating Committee

Continuing members:
- Kristin Schaupp, Philosophy & Religious Studies
- Staci Heidtke, Career Services
- Ryan Banaszak, Housing & Residence Life
- Marty Wood, English
- Vicky Samelson, Communication Sciences & Disorders

One (1) Vacancy for a University Academic Staff Senator for a three-year term

Report of the University Senate Nominating Committee

Nominees:
- University Academic Staff: Phil Huelsbeck, Continuing Education

Additional nominations from the floor: None

Without objection, Phil Huelsbeck to serve on the University Senate Nominating Committee
Elected to serve on the University Senate Nominating Committee: Phil Huelsbeck
Faculty Personnel Committee
Faculty Representative:
  Geoff Peterson, Political Science, A&S
Elected Faculty Senators:
  James Phillips, Chemistry, A&S
  Lisa Schiller, Nursing, NHS
  Jeff Erger, Sociology
  Pedro Sottile, Accounting & Finance
Elected by Faculty At-Large:
  Alex Smith, Mathematics, A&S
  Jon Loomis, English, A&S

One (1) vacancy for Faculty member from the College of EHS for a three-year term

Report of the University Senate Nominating Committee
Nominees:
  EHS: Cathy Thorsen, Special Education
Additional nominations from the floor: None

Without objection, Cathy Thorsen will serve on the Faculty Personnel Committee
Elected to serve on the Faculty Personnel Committee: Cathy Thorsen

Academic Staff Complaint, Grievance & Review Committee
Continuing members:
  Kim Wellnitz, College of Business
  Shu Cheng, International Education
  Katie Ritland-Cloose, Advising
  Trudy Bement, Student Support
  Signe Matson, Advising
  Faith Pawelski, Academic Skills
  Kelly Murray, Biology
  Karen Morris, Communication & Journalism

One (1) vacancy for Instructional Academic Staff Vacancy for a three-year term

Report of the University Academic Staff Nominating Committee
Nominees:
  Instructional Academic Staff:
Additional nominations from the floor: None

This position will remain vacant at this time.

Academic Staff Professional Development Committee
Continuing members:
  Maria Carvalho, International Education
  Jodi Simek, International Education
  Maria St. Germaine, Nursing & health Sciences
  Alyssa Slaby, Career Services
  Jacqueline Bonneville, St. Affairs

One (1) vacancy for Academic Staff for a three-year term

Report of the University Academic Staff Nominating Committee
Nominees:
  Academic Staff: Melody Manteufel, Career Services
Additional nominations from the floor: None

Without objection, Melody Mantuefel will serve on the Academic Staff Professional Development Committee
Elected to serve on the Academic Staff Professional Development Committee: Melody Mantuefel
Academic Staff Personnel Committee

Academic Staff Representative:
Katie Wilson, Student Health Services

Continuing members:
Elected Senators:
Cynthia Chapek, Nursing, IAS
Heather Pearson, Admissions, APAS
Odawa White, Multicultural Affairs, APAS

Elected by Academic Staff at-large:
Lori Snyder, Geology, IAS
Katie Ritland-Clouse, Advising, APAS
Catherine Lee, International Education, APAS

One (1) vacancy for Instructional Academic Staff for a three-year term

Report of the University Academic Staff Nominating Committee

Nominees:
IAS:
Additional nominations from the floor: None
This position will remain vacant at this time.

University Senate At-large

Two (2) at-large vacancies for Instructional Academic Staff without faculty status and one (1) at-large vacancy for University Academic Staff for a four-year term

Report of the University Academic Staff Nominating Committee

Nominees:
IAS without faculty status:
UAS:

Nominee: UAS: Chip Eckardt, LTS
Additional nominations from the floor: None

Without objection, Chip Eckardt will serve on the University Senate
Elected to serve on the University Senate: Chip Eckardt