

**University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire
University Senate Executive Committee**

Minutes from November 5, 2019
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Present: Robert Bell, Jasmine Case, Chip Eckardt, Elizabeth Glogowski, Bob Hooper, Marquell Johnson, Patricia Kleine, John Mann, Colleen Marchwick, Jill Markgraf, Bill Miller, Geoffrey Peterson, Kristin Schaupp, Charlotte Sortedahl, Pedro Sottile, Ka Vang, Ryan Weichelt, Evan Weiher

Absent: Albert Colom, John Haven, James Schmidt

A meeting of the University Senate Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Weiher at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 in the Council Oak Room of Davies Center.

- 1) Approval of the Minutes of October 15, 2019
 - Approved as distributed
- 2) Ten Minute Open Forum
 - Hibbard Penthouse
 - Concern that a student organization would like to take over the Hibbard Penthouse
 - Faculty would like an alternative place to be found
 - None of the chairs were consulted
 - No conversations were had in the departments
 - The space is currently used for award ceremonies, as a faculty lounge, ADA's eat lunch there, instruction, student organizations, host visitors and etc.
 - Concern that that organization may not even want to be there as it is so distant from central campus
 - It was promised to them that it was a shared space
 - Questioning who monitors the usage of that space
 - Maybe the system that they are using is not being utilized correctly
 - Used the reservation system and found that it wasn't used that often
 - Is the only sink available in Hibbard
 - Maybe another designated space that is acceptable can be found
 - The space may be bigger than other spaces that students are given
 - We should be mindful of the new science building and trying to incorporate student spaces into that area
 - On Friday a search committee was announced to replace Ray Cross
 - The consistency of that search committee was announced and is a direct contradiction to the last searches
 - People are outraged so 7 campuses are considering motions in opposition on this
 - No faculty, academic staff or university staff are on the committee
 - Since the Regents and the Governor make the final decision it is unknown why they bypassed the old process
 - This is a slightly altered version of the resolution that is being circulated
 - We need to register our displeasure

MOTION to suspend the rules to vote to put this on the University Senate agenda for next week, seconded

VOTE: PASSED

- 3) Review of tentative agenda for November 12, 2019 meeting of the University Senate
 - Approved as amended
 - Addition of New Business

- First Reading: Motion from APC on FASRP Decision-Making Table
- Resolution: UW System Presidential Search & Screen

4) Honorary Degree Discussion

- Due diligence and having time to think about it should be the focus when presenting to Senate
- The high moral character piece is part of System mandate
- A two-week timeframe would be more inclusive as to not omit people due to scheduling errors
- Might be useful to include a link to System policy that guides the discussion
 - Referencing this policy is important
- Questioning if it was indeed a personnel matter
 - Going into closed session was questioned
 - Senator Peterson to consult with other campuses to see how they post their Honorary Degrees
- To protect the people that serve on this committee because it felt like they were blindsided with what happened
 - Need to slow the process down
- Language on the motion will be altered and brought back for continued discussion

5) Service-Learning Discussion

- Is housed in ARCC
- While we hold the academic requirement, the implementation of that policy is being written by ARCC
- The advisory committee isn't doing much besides being told what will be happening
- Concern that the academic requirement is not housed in an academic unit
- Academic Master Plan and Civic Engagement
 - Civic Engagement
 - Instead of service-learning being a tick box we would move towards civic engagement
 - Students are working with patients after the doctor sees them
 - Marshfield Clinic loved it so it is now in all their spaces
 - Service learning was connected to Career Services so that is why it is housed in ARCC
 - Will have discussions around that this year
 - As a university we most closely aligned with civic engagement
 - Oversight is done by faculty
 - If service learning is done by ARCC and this is a concern, then maybe this would solve the concern of the oversight since faculty would do this

6) Announcements

- None

Meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.

Submitted by,
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