

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

Minutes from October 5, 2021  
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Present: Jasmine Case, Billy Felz Abbey Fischer, Kent Gerberich, Elizabeth Glogowski, Marquell Johnson, Patricia Kleine, John Mann, Colleen Marchwick, Jill Markgraf, Sean McAleer, Kelly Murray, Geoffrey Peterson, Kristin Schapp, James Schmidt, Charlotte Sortedahl, Pedro Sottile, Ryan Weichelt, Evan Weiher

Absent: Grace Crickette, Olga Diaz

Guests: MJ Brukart, Margaret Cassidy, Mark Goulet, Mary Hoffman, Debra Jansen, Teresa O' Halloran, Jean Pratt, Jill Prushiek, Alexis Sternfeld-Dunns, Linda Young

A meeting of the University Senate Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Weiher at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 via online (Microsoft Teams) meeting.

- 1) Approval of the University Senate Executive Committee Minutes of September 21, 2021
  - Approved as distributed
- 2) Review of the tentative agenda for the September 28, 2021 meeting of the University Senate
  - Approved as amended
    - Addition of First Reading from the Faculty Personnel Committee on Requirements for Promotion
- 3) Open Forum
  - We will avoid using the chat feature in Teams as people can petition for access
  - Please use your hand and we will call on you
  - You can even see chats for meetings that you were not in
  - No updates but the bookstore fee is still being added
  - Enrollment data
    - Question on the percentage of students of color as the goal was always 20% but our student of color population seems to be decreasing and this hasn't been at the forefront of any conversation so wondering what actions are being taken and can departments take a role in that
      - Students of color are coming in about 11% enrollment-wise and this number has been coming in flat the last few years
      - Working with VC Diaz and are partnering with Blugold Beginnings and OMA to look at new strategies
  - Service Learning
    - Had a conversation at APC and multiple questions were asked, so we ask, as it moves forward is do we stay on course or look at community engagement
    - Community engagement is generally aligned and tied to courses
    - This topic is still on the APC docket
      - Want to designate people to send out the surveys but it will be moving forward
      - Want to make sure a larger group of individuals are included in this conversation
      - We want to identify all those that need to be included
    - Conversations should be happening soon across campus
  - Subscription to journals, such as Elsevier, have changed with no notice
    - Notification would have been nice as it impacts our ability to do reviews and proposals
    - Would like to know how that decision was made and what the process is moving forward
      - Jill Markgraf is the contact if anyone has questions on journal subscription, but she stated that the decision was made a year ago to halt this subscription and an announcement was made

- That decision to cancel was made because it was consuming a fifth of our budget so we cannot afford to continue to offer it
  - Every year there is a 3-7% increase in fees and we have not had a budget increase in 20 years
  - We are trying to represent diversity join our collections, so all decisions are made on usage data
    - Should funding factor in on how the decision are made
  - Some decisions are made locally and some with system
  - Trend to move away from the “big deals” as they are not sustainable in the library budget
    - The library makes data driven decisions that are equitable across campus
  - Frustrating that federal grant funding cannot support that
  - You could try to order from the interlibrary loans as that is part of the data looked at
- 4) Announcements
- Welcome to Kelly Murray, our new Vice Chair
- 5) Consultation with the Chancellor/Administration regarding committee appointments to the University Planning Committee/University Assessment Committee. Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85 (c) the committee contemplates going into closed session for the purpose of discussion.

**Without objection it was MOVED and seconded that the committee go into closed session under Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (c) for the purposes of discussion on committee appointments.**

**Motion PASSED without objection by Jasmine Case, Billy Felz Abbey Fischer, Kent Gerberich, Elizabeth Glogowski, Marquell Johnson, John Mann, Colleen Marchwick, Jill Markgraf, Sean McAleer, Kelly Murray, Geoffrey Peterson, Kristin Schaupp, Charlotte Sortedahl, Pedro Sottile, Ryan Weichelt, Evan Weiher**

Meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Submitted by,  
Tanya Kenney  
Secretary of the University Senate