University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Classified Staff Council Meeting
Minutes of November 27, 2012
HSS 151

Present: Jane Brownell, Shawn Seuferer, Faith Bogstad, Dan Gharrity, Wanda Schulner, Michele Olson, Greg Falkenberg, Bill Hoepner, Susan Ayres, Debra Lang, Anita Spahn, Franny Meyer-Briggs

Absent: Donna Weber, Vickie Gardner

Listening Session for all Classified Staff

The listening session began with two members of the classified staff joining us to discuss what our CSC does, how often we meet, etc. Discussion was held about COEHS having Classified Staff meetings every semester to talk about what is happening within their College and how they might be able to bring concerns forward to CSC after this. Their biggest concern this semester revolved around DMCs. Follow-up discussion was also held about DMCs as well as LTE raises.

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Classified Staff Council (CSC) was called to order by Chair Sue Ayres at 10:19 AM.

The minutes of the October 16, 2012 meeting of the CSC were approved as distributed.

Discussion was held about the points brought up when the visitors were here and the question was posed that perhaps someone needs to attend or at least monitor the University Senate meetings. At this time, the Chair is monitoring University Senate agendas and minutes. Much of the time there is nothing happening at those meetings that we would need to be concerned with, although we are able to attend if we should choose to. The current chair-elect is already trying to keep up with the Commission on the Status of Women meetings. It was decided that although we would not recommend attending all of these meetings, we should continue to at least review the agenda/minutes.

Chancellor Bousquet joined us at 10:30. Introductions were made around the table. The Chancellor indicated that he is pleased to be able to join us today and gave us a brief overview of what he hopes to accomplish during his time here at UWEC. He indicated talent and economic development, a vision (dream) of where the University wanted to go, and global initiatives would be his priorities. He also reviewed the recent trip to China and some of the contacts that were made while his delegation was there.

Chancellor Bousquet is eager to hear from the CSC regarding how we feel UPS might impact us in July, 2013, and seems willing to help us promote the CSC and assist with a smooth transition to shared governance. He would like us to submit some options to him on what resources would be necessary to keep this Council on a parallel track to University Senate. He excused himself at 11:30 to make his way to another appointment.
Brief review was given by Lang on the upcoming Professional Development Day. This is now scheduled for January 16, 2013. She reviewed the Keynote Speaker as well as some of the breakout sessions that are being scheduled. Discussion held.

M. Olson is resigning from her position here on CSC as she has taken a new job in the Foundation Office in an Academic Staff position. Discussion held about replacing her both on this committee and the Employee Appreciation Committee which she is also on. Schulner will make some phone calls and bring names to the Council prior to forwarding at least two names to the Chancellor.

Ayres also announced that there is a video conference (in S 206C) scheduled this Thursday, November 29, 2012 from 2:30-4PM with UW System HR and Classified Staff representatives from UW-System schools for anyone on the council to sit in on. This will be to further discuss UPS. She also indicates that she has scheduled the CSC to serve at the Community Table on February 8, 2013. This will be discussed as it gets closer.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:43 AM.

Respectfully submitted:

Faith Bogstad
Secretary/CSC