University of Wisconsin-Platteville Faculty Senate
Tuesday, February 24, 2015, 4:00 p.m. University Room North, Pioneer Student Center

Attendees:
☒ Charles Cornett (EMS, 2015) Chair
☒ Rea Kirk (LAE, 2016) Secretary
☒ Tera Montgomery (BILSA, 2017)
☒ Benjamin Collins (EMS, 2017) Proxy James Swenson
☒ Irfan Ui-Haq (EMS, 2015)
☒ Mary Rose Williams (BILSA, 2015)
☒ Mike Compton (BILSA, 2016)
☒ Rosalyn Broussard (LAE, 2015)
☐ T.A. Sandberg (LAE Ac. Staff Rep, 2015)
☒ Dennis J. Shields (Chancellor, ex officio)
☒ Rob Cramer (Vice-Chancellor, ex officio)
☒ Patricia Pothour (Academic Senate Liaison)
☒ Terri Burns (LAE, 2016 at-large) Vice Chair Proxy Melissa Gormley
☒ Abulkhair Masoom (EMS, 2016 at-large)
☒ B.J. Reed (Parliamentarian)
☒ Lisa Riedle (EMS, 2017)
☐ Joseph Clifton (EMS, 2015 at-large)
☒ Amanda Tucker (LAE, 2017)
☒ Michael Penn (EMS, 2016)
☒ Sheryl Wills (EMS, 2015 at-large)
☒ James Almquist (EMS Ac. Staff Rep, 2016)
☒ Misty Lemon-Rogers (BILSA Ac. Staff Rep, 2017)
☒ Mittie Nimocks Den Herder (Provost, ex officio)
☒ Joe Sigwarth (Student Senate Liaison)
☒ Lisa Merkes-Kress (Recording Secretary)


MINUTES

I. Call to Order
Chair Cornett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call (sign-up sheet)

III. Approval of Minutes of February 10, 2015
Berg moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Williams. Minutes approved.

IV. Approval of the Agenda
With a few additions and request to have a closing meeting time of 6:00 p.m. the following action was taken:
Burns moved to approve the agenda “as amended,” seconded by Compton. Agenda approved.

V. Announcements and Reports

1. Chancellor Shields Budget Recommendations Process
Chancellor Shields expressed his appreciation and gratitude to all the governance bodies on their shared leadership to provide recommendations during this challenging time. Everyone is welcome to continue to sending recommendations or contact the Chancellor directly.

2. James Swenson Proxy for Ben Collins
MOTION: Burns moved to accept James Swenson as proxy, seconded by Masoom. Motion carried.

3. Grievance Panel volunteer
To be on the Grievance Panel faculty must be tenured; therefore, we need two volunteers to replace Tera Montgomery and Donita Cartmill. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee will work on locating replacements.

4. Budget Update (R. Cramer)
Vice Chancellor Cramer gave an update on the following items:
- Sick leave conversion, the Governor’s budget proposal leaves sick leave conversion as is, but need to keep an eye on the supplemental component of the plan.
- UW Platteville is exploring ways to offer an early retirement incentive.
Chair Cornett noted a resolution has been forwarded to urge the board to act on Chapter 36 process as soon as possible. Chair Cornett will forward the resolution to everyone.

VI. Unfinished Business

5. Chapter 4, 7, 11 Revision (C. Cornett)
We are not being asked to approve the revision because state law and federal law have to be in line, but we need to provide input. Please email Chair Cornett in the next few days and he will forward onto Provost Nimocks Den Herder.

VII. New Business

6. UABC Recommendations on Proposed Budget Reduction  (L. Hollingsworth)
Chair Cornett reviewed the process for proceeding with the UABC recommendations. After review, the following actions were taken:

MOTION: Kirk moved to limit debate during discussion to a single address of one minute per motion or amendment, seconded by Masoom. Motion carried.

MOTION: Massom moved to adopt UABC recommendations, seconded by Compton. Motion carried.

MOTION: Burns moved that any recommendations referred to UUCC or APC that those return to Faculty senate, seconded by Rose-Williams. Motion carried.

MOTION: Kirk moved to amend to strike UABC report line 88 and turn the line red so that the two credits are not reviewed by UUCC, because this can affect state and federal funding, seconded by Burns. Upon being put to vote there were three ayes with the remainder not in favor, motion failed, and the Faculty Senate recommendation will be that this be reviewed by UUCC.

MOTION: Ul-Haq moved to amend line 16 and change the title of Director of Graduate studies to reflect column B accurately by adding Director of Academic Projects, seconded by Compton. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued about a few other items on the UABC spreadsheet such as:
- Teaching and Learning Center (TLC) savings amount on line 62 and the recommendation from ICET.
- Chair Cornett gave the Deans a moment to provide feedback; Dean Throop spoke on behalf of LAE and the hit they will be taking. Dean Mesut and Dean Weber put good faith in the faculty to make the decisions needed.

There will be continued review of any feedback received after February 18 at future UABC meetings.

Chair Cornett called the vote to approve the UABC recommendations with amendments and changes. Motion carried.

VIII. Next Meeting Date March 10, 2015

IX. Adjournment

It was moved by Ul-Haq, seconded by Swenson, and carried to adjourn the meeting early; with no objections, Chair Cornett adjourned the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rea Kirk, Secretary 

Lisa Kress, Recording Secretary