



**Academic Staff Senate Meeting**  
**Monday, February 16, 2015 3:00 p.m., 126 Russell**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amy Griswold (Chair, Area I, 2015)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant ( Area IV, 2016)                            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patricia Pothour (Vice Chair, At-large 2015)   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Russell Hill (At-large, 2016)           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Gurman (Secretary, Area V, 2016)         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Goomey (At-large, 2016)            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> James Ball (Area II, 2015)                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kim Maier (At-large, 2015)              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ulz Daeuber (Area III, 2016)                              |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provost Mittie Nimocks Den Herder (ex officio) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lisa Merkes-Kress (recording secretary) |
- Quorum - 5 voting members  
GUESTS: Dan Avenarius, Rob Cramer,

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**MINUTES**

**I. Call to order**

Chair Griswold called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

**II. Approval of Minutes of February 2, 2015**

Approval of Minutes from February 9<sup>th</sup> will be on February 23<sup>rd</sup>

Maier moved to approve February 2 minutes, seconded by Pothour. Minutes approved.

**III. Approval of the Agenda**

Ball moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Maier. Agenda approved.

**IV. Announcements**

**1. Vacancy in Area IV**

Kate Link has left the campus; Elections and Appointments will be putting out a request for a replacement.

**2. Vacancy for At-large**

Chair Griswold will contact Elections and Appointments to verify if a proxy can fill this position through the end of the semester.

**V. State Representative's Report (A.Griswold)**

**1. None at the time** - Next meeting is March 6<sup>th</sup>

**2. Will be attending the Board of Regents meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup>**

Chair Griswold will attend.

**VI. Vice Chair's Report (P. Pothour)**

No report, Pothour was not able to attend.

**VII. Committee Reports**

**1. Elections and Appointments (U. Daeuber)**

The below will be discussed at the next meeting.

- UABC

- Vacancy for Area IV and At-large
  - Naming of Service Areas
2. **Professional Development (P. Pothour)**  
 Due to Kim Maier leaving campus, funds awarded to Maier may be redistributed.
- **MOTION:** Pothour moved to take the remaining funds that Kim Maier will not be using to fully fund the next applicant in line, seconded by Maier. Motion carried.
- Since the funds request was for travel to a conference, Pothour will verify with Liz Schaal to see if travel will be approved due to budget cuts.
3. **Personnel Commission (J. Ball)**  
 Meeting Wednesday February 18 at 1:00 p.m.
4. **Academic Staff Excellence Award Committee Update (S. Gurman)**  
 Meeting postponed until the budget issues have been addressed.

### VIII. Unfinished Business

1. **Continued budget discussions**

- Dan Avenarius spoke on behalf of Distance Learning Center (DLC) and is seeking support from Academic Staff Senate. See attached PDF.



Avenarius DLC budget

There was substantial support for the DLC, Julie Hewitt also spoke on behalf of DLC and many other guests shared support as senators asked questions and clarification. DLC will be talking with Vice Chancellor Cramer and Provost Nimocks Den Herder on Wednesday, February 18 to propose ways DLC can help during the budget crisis and will provide Academic Staff Senate with this information afterwards.



reduction options

After guests comments the senators proceeded to review green areas of the reduction budget options spreadsheet.

### IX. New Business

1. **Academic Staff Resolution to Governor Walker**

Will discuss at the next meeting.

### X. Other Business

### XI. Adjournment

Chair adjourned the meeting

**Next Meeting: Monday, February 23, 2015**