

UWRF Academic Staff Council Minutes

Monday, October 20, 2008

University Center, Willow River Room

Members:

Mark Kinders	Kevin Bertelsen	McKenna Pfeiffer
Ellen Schultz	Michael Martin	Travis Tubré
Gretchen Link	Brad Gee	Amy Lloyd *
Yunge Dutton		

* Absent 1 Substitute 0

Call to Order, seating of substitutes: 2:09pm

Approval of Minutes for the September 15: Moved by Link. Seconded by Martin. Unanimously approved.

Chair's Report/Legislative Update (M. Kinders):

State Budget: Gov. announced \$3 billion budget deficit.

University Senate: Would include nine Academic Staff and those representatives would then make up their own committee to handle grievances.

IAS Hiring: Ad Hoc Committee is exploring the possibility of multiple year contracts. Committee does not have budget authority; however, they will be exploring how much recommendations would cost.

Academic Staff Rep's Report (M. Martin):

System is looking at gathering peer group information in preparation for unionization. Need to have uniform definitions, contracts, and titles.

As part of the growth agenda, looking at removing barriers and making System more accessible to all Wisconsin residents. Have grant money to assist in evaluation.

New Business:

Election of Chair, effective Nov. 1, 2008: Nomination of Gretchen Link made by Pfeiffer. Seconded by Schultz. Link accepted nomination. Motion made by Pfeiffer to close nominations and vote. Seconded by Schultz. Unanimously approved.

Vice Chair: Nomination of Brad Gee by Link. Seconded by Bertelsen. Gee accepted nomination. Motion made by Link to close nominations and vote. Seconded by Bertelsen. Unanimously approved.

Co-Chair of IAS Ad Hoc Committee: Nomination of Gretchen Link by Pfeiffer. Seconded by Martin. Link accepted nomination. Motion made by Pfeiffer to close nominations and vote. Seconded by Martin. Unanimously approved.

Other Business:

Added definition of what constitutes a program to the Academic Staff Regents Award for Excellence Program Award Nomination Guidelines.

Suggested award name: Chancellor's Award for Program Excellence

Motion to adopt changes. Motion made by Link. Seconded by Schultz. Unanimously approved. Chair will forward to Chancellor.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Link. Seconded by Pfeiffer. Meeting adjourned at 2:59pm