Minutes approved with corrections–2-9-11

Minutes
Academic Staff Executive Committee
2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, February 2, 2012
67 Bascom Hall

Members Present: Daña Alder (Vice-Chair), Marwa Bassiouni, Heather Daniels (Chair), Denny Hackel, Nik Hawkins

Others Present: Paul DeLuca, Susan Riseling, Lori Berquam, Heather McFadden

Absent: Jim Maynard, Ben Rodriguez, Jeff Shokler

Call to Order/Agenda Review
The meeting was called to order by Chair, Heather Daniels at 2:00 p.m.

Automatic Consent Business
ASEC minutes from Thursday, January 26, 2012, approved with corrections.

PROVOST UPDATE: Paul DeLuca
  ● Provost acknowledged the important work of academic staff serving on the Academic Excellence Teams and HR Design Work Teams. He offered to write letters to their supervisors addressing the value of this work to the institution.
  ● Other topics discussed: the budget and Adidas negotiations.

GUEST: Susan Riseling, Chief of Police and Associate Vice Chancellor
Chief Riseling provided an overview of all the initiatives that have contributed to the campus crime rates’ decline with each year, bringing the campus to an all-time 38-year low on incidents of crime. Also discussed was the concealed carry Assembly resolution.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/Good Works

BUSINESS

February Assembly Meeting – for decision

Social Compact Resolution – for February Assembly Meeting
ASEC reviewed this document.

Emergency Salary Support
ASEC members were asked to review Assembly documents for discussion at next week’s meeting.

Budget Impact Survey
ASEC reviewed and suggested changes that Heather will convey to the ad hoc committee.

Next ASEC Meeting, February 9, 2012 - for decision
  Guests: Jeff Russell, Dean of the Division of Continuing Studies; Steve Lund Director, Academic Personnel Office
  Topics:
Emergency Salary Support
Review resolution The Wisconsin Idea—for March Assembly Meeting
Follow-up distinguishing Academic Staff from Faculty
March Assembly Agenda
Next ASEC Meeting, February 23, 2012 - for decision
Convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
  • Selection of Academic Staff for Chair’s Chat
  • Academic Staff Nominations for University Committee
  • Reviewing International Studies
  • Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities, Planning and Management Search and Screen

Reconvene in Open Session

Convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
  • Committee Appointments
  • Nominating Committee Slate
  • Selection of Academic Staff for Chair’s Chat
  • Nominations for University Committee Reviewing International Studies
  • Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities, Planning and Management Search and Screen

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GENERAL REPORTS
Chair – Heather Daniels
Updates included:
  • University Committee’s discussion of approval process for changes that result from HR Design. Informational sessions will be held for faculty this month and academic staff at a date to be determined.
  • Darrell Bazzell is interested in having governance groups present to the Special Legislative Task Force on the UW System.

GUEST: Lori Berquam, Dean of Students
Lori reported that faculty are not endorsing the ASM working definition of student life and requested a statement from ASEC.

After meeting with Lori, there was a brief discussion of whether action needed to be taken regarding the student life definition. The point was made that the definition is labeled a working definition and has not been put forth by ASM as something to be considered for adoption at this time. However, ASEC members in attendance reached a consensus that, in the event a definition of student life were to be pursued for formal adoption, ASM’s working definition would not be adequate in its current state. There was general agreement that additional discussion and revision by shared governance groups and campus units most affected by the adoption of a student life definition would have to occur prior to any effort at formal adoption.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:35 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Donna Silver, Secretary of the Academic Staff