Minutes
Academic Staff Executive Committee
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 7, 2011
67 Bascom Hall

Members Present: Daña Alder, Heather Daniels (Chair), Wayne Feltz, Charlene Krembs, Barb Lewis, Mary Ray (Vice-Chair), Ben Rodriguez, Valli Warren

Absent: Jim Steele

Others Present: Eden Inoway-Ronnie, Brian Deith, Russell Dimond

Call to Order/Agenda Review
The meeting was called to order by Chair, Heather Daniels at 1:30 p.m.

Automatic Consent Business
ASEC minutes of Thursday, March 31, 2011 were approved.

ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

Districting and Representation Committee – Brian Deith
• Will update the Assembly in May on HRS in terms of:
  o Districting
  o Limited term employees
  o Assignment of academic staff with multiple appointments to a district

Ad Hoc Committee on Collective Bargaining – Russell Dimond
• Committee decision – their work is culminated; it is Russell’s recommendation to bring the committee to a close.
• Request to keep website live until the bill is passed so that it can be updated.
• ASEC members thanked Russell and the committee members for all their hard work.

PROVOST UPDATE: Eden Inoway-Ronnie
• Discussion regarding ASEC listening sessions:
  o Concerns expressed for additional details in order to make educated evaluation regarding support of public authority.
  o Need to inform staff on System’s role in lack of flexibilities.
• Provost is making preparation for possible administrative changes ahead with the implementation of public authority.
• Deans are planning for budget cuts.
• CIO finalists and Dean of Continuing Studies finalists to be announced soon.

BUSINESS

Motion to Convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
• Budget Committee Membership
• MIU Oversight Committee
• Ad Hoc Committee for Tracking Concerns Raised by Academic Staff Regarding the Budget Repair Bill

New Badger Partnership / Public Authority Update
• Working group discussion of composition of the Board of Trustees (BOT).
Listening Sessions on Public Authority

- Listening session on Tuesday, April 5, 2011.
- Wednesday, April 6, 2011 Brownbag, School of Medicine CASI: Similar concerns were raised as in listening sessions.
- Request for sheet listing public authority and UW System plan pros and cons; possibly created by ASEC or central administration.
- Providing an explanation of new HR system and how pay increases will impact academic staff would be useful.

Discuss a resolution to the Assembly that affirms the Chancellor’s efforts to afford the need for personnel flexibilities.

Next ASEC Meeting April 21, 2011 - for Decision

- Motion to convene in closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
  - MIU Oversight Committee
  - Committee appointments
- GUESTS: Elizabeth Bolt, Don Nelson
- New Badger Partnership/Public Authority
- Update on listening sessions on the Public Authority
- Impacts of Budget Repair
- Academic Staff Issues Tracking System
- Next ASEC Meeting, April 28, 2011 - for decision

GENERAL REPORTS

Chair – Heather Daniels

- Service Day: sponsors are the same as last year; a notice to the university community will be sent out on April 18, 2011.
- Issues for future discussions:
  - CASI listening session: concerns from senior scientists regarding salary compression for long term senior scientists. Heather to speak to Steve Lund and Steve Stern about doing an equity study. A disconnect exists between the personnel system and how the grant world works.
  - Heather will meet with Judith Burstyn to discuss Faculty Plans re: NBP.

Secretary of the Academic Staff – Donna Silver

- HRS contract to accommodate the needs of AS is progressing.
- Office has posted LTE position.
- CIO Search: Schedule will allow for governance groups to meet with each candidate.
- Legal support to ASAC from UWS: current thinking is that even with as a private authority, this collaboration would remain.
- Current issue of WI week announces Award Winners and Office of the Secretary of Academic Staff Gallery.

LIAISON REPORTS

UAPC- Mary Ray

- Center for Child Welfare Policy and Practice was approved. They will allow academic staff to serve as co-director and to serve on the board of the Center.

Faculty Senate – Heather/Dana

- Senate passed a resolution on academic freedom.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:40 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Donna Silver, Secretary of the Academic Staff