Minutes approved 6-9-11

Minutes
Academic Staff Executive Committee
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 26, 2011
67 Bascom Hall

Members Present: Daña Alder (Vice-Chair), Heather Daniels (Chair), Charlene Krembs, Barb Lewis, Ben Rodriguez, Jim Steele, Valli Warren

Absent: Wayne Feltz

Others Present: Steve Lund, Biddy Martin, Greg Iaccarino, Judith Burstyn, Don Nelson

Call to Order/Agenda Review
The meeting was called to order by Chair, Heather Daniels at 1:35 p.m.

Automatic Consent Business
ASEC minutes of Thursday, May 19, 2011 were approved.

GUEST: Steve Lund, Director, Academic Personnel Office
Discussion focused on review of the current Distinguished Prefix Review Policy:
Issues to consider:
- Is there a need to redefine the unit proposing this title change?
- What constitutes degree of recognition?
- Need to review the academic staff distinguished prefix committee structure.
  - Consider a stream-lined the process:
    - Smaller packets (to encourage participation)
    - Increased volume might warrant additional meetings
    - Committee size
- Committee should review Assembly Document #384.
- Steve feels these decisions are ASEC’s responsibility and could be implemented during the upcoming academic year.

Steve reported that he met with UW System and other UW HR directors to review UW System’s preparation of delegated responsibilities to the campuses.
UW-Madison requested the following flexibilities:
- Simplify requirements for obtaining a Distinguished Prefix
- Revise program manager series to ease advancement from one level to another.

Heather requested an update from Steve regarding an analysis of senior scientist data (re: compression equity). Steve will work on this.

BUSINESS

Motion to Convene in Closed Session Pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
- Committee Appointments
- Elect ASEC Chair and Vice-Chair for 2011-12
- Budget Repair Impact Committee

Reconvene in Open Session

Motion made and seconded: Daña Alder elected unanimously as ASEC Vice-Chair.
Motion made and seconded: Heather Daniels elected unanimously as ASEC Chair.
Ad Hoc Committee on the Impact of the Budget Bill
Committee’s charge:
The Ad Hoc Committee on the Impact of the Budget Bill will explore and design instruments to collect qualitative and quantitative data on the impact of the budget bill on the academic staff. In particular, the data should focus on increased health insurance premiums and the increase in require retirement contributions and any other policies that have an economic impact on academic staff. The committee will report regularly to ASEC on its progress and any important milestones in its work.

New Badger Partnership/Public Authority Update
• Heather has been attending UC meetings for updates.
• No concrete details to share, as issues are dynamic.
• Don Nelson will keep in touch with ASEC, should we need to review documents for feedback via ASPRO lobbyists.

Next ASEC Meeting, June 9, 2011
Guests:  Aaron Brower and Annette McDaniel (MIU advising)
BUSINESS
• Motion to convene in closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
  o Committee Appointments
• Motion to convene out of closed Session
• Distinguished Prefix Review Document #384
• Academic Staff Issues Tracking System
• Next ASEC Meeting, June 23, 2011 - for decision

GENERAL REPORTS
Chair – Heather Daniels
• Met with Nancy Mathews, Morgridge Center Director to discuss preliminary plans for a week long “days of service” which would feature two or three big projects to help mark the 15th anniversary of the Center.
  o Heather asked the committee to think of names to co-chair the planning committee which would collaborate with Nancy’s office.
  o Mentioned plans for a Proclamation from the Mayor for the event.
  o Time-line: mid-April 2012.

Secretary of the Academic Staff – Donna Silver
• UW System Academic Staff Institute: nine people have registered as of this date.
• CIO Search Committee met with the Provost this morning.

GUEST:  Biddy Martin, Chancellor and Don Nelson, Assistant to the Chancellor for State Relations
Discussion topics included:
• Budget and impact on UW-Madison
• Negotiations with UW System
• Flexibilities
• Possible impact on personnel policies
• The language regarding voluntary payroll deductions and the impact on ASPRO and PROFS

Meeting Adjourned at 4:01 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Donna Silver, Secretary of the Academic Staff