Minutes

Academic Staff Executive Committee
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 4, 2010
69 Bascom Hall

Members Present: Daña Alder, Eric Bauman, Jo Ann Carr (Vice-Chair), Heather Daniels (Chair), Wayne Feltz, Carla Love, Mary Ray, Valli Warren
Absent: Charlene Krembs
Others Present: Luanne von Schneidemesser, Don Nelson and Eden Inoway-Ronnie

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

Automatic Consent Business
ASEC minutes of Thursday, January 28, 2010 were approved.

Provost Update: Eden Inoway-Ronnie, Executive Assistant to the Provost
- Provost DeLuca is committed to finding some solution regarding the increase of de minimus.
- He is committed to working to reinvigorate current CASIs and to foster the creation new CASIs.
- Dean’s position previously held by Roger McClain, Division of Continuing Studies, has received permission to be filled. Heather indicated that she heard this position would be limited to faculty applications, although Roger was an academic staff member. Eden to confirm.

Guest: Don Nelson, Assistant Director, State Relations
Provided ASEC with an update of State Politics and the University:
- Regulation of mopeds on campus: the university is focusing on safety issues
- Green Cleaning Standards: difficult to implement especially in labs. University is requesting purchasing flexibility.
- Bill #447: allows for a cost benefit analysis in terms of private contracts vs. state employees.
- Collective Bargaining: now that bill has passed; he is working with Chancellors office to keep process transparent. Will contact the Academic Staff Ad Hoc Committee on Collective Bargaining.
- University reports to the Legislature include:
  - County Reports on how UW-Madison impacts representative’s districts
  - Showcase ROTC leaders
- Engagement with gubernatorial candidates: Chancellor has had dinners with the potential candidates stressing issues such as UW-Madison’s need for flexibility and autonomy.
- Chancellor to meet with some legislative candidates. Don and Vince Sweeney to meet with legislative candidates this summer.
- UW-Madison is ready to engage in the Smart Furlough Bill.

Committee Reports
Nominating Committee: Luanne von Schneidemesser, Chair
- Committee will forward the information regarding nominees to ASEC for new nomination requests.
- Donna and Luanne to determine if Mentoring Committee is a sub committee of PDRC.
- Nominating Committee requested information regarding shared governance committees (i.e., chair, meeting schedules, individual member responsibilities)
  - Donna to contact Office of the Secretary of the Faculty regarding this information.
- Request appointment letters identify the committee chair, and chair be copied.
- Working with Damon William to identify potential committee members.
Business
- Motion was made and seconded to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stats 19.85 (1) (c), to discuss:
  - Creation of a Nominating Committee election slate
- Motion was made and seconded to move out of Closed Session.
- ASEC Members to finalize slate on February 18, 2010.
- Unit Clarification Resolution was discussed and approved. Donna to edit/format and send to Assembly.
- Furlough Day of Service
  - Heather, Valli and Charlene will work to move this forward along with
    - Mary Czynsak-Lyne (to represent classified employees)
    - Possible non-represented classified staff representative.
- Welcome Packet for new Academic Staff
  - Sub-committee created to develop packet: Carla, Daña and Wayne.
- Leadership Institute
  - Speakers are being identified.
  - ASEC members made suggestions for breakout sessions.
  - Discussion of addition of Professional Development to title of the institute.
- Communication Update: Mary Ray
  - Renee Mueller, Greg Iacarino and Mary Ray will meet with ASEC to discuss their plans on February 25, 2010.

Next ASEC Meeting Agenda 2/18/10
- Motion to convene in closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
  - Nominating Committee Slate
- Furlough Day of Service
- Review Draft Leadership Institute
- Next ASEC Meeting February 25, 2010 – for decision
- Academic Staff involvement in Madison and Milwaukee Collaborative Grants

Chair Report: Heather Daniels
- Madison and Milwaukee Collaborative Grants:
  - Heather to draft a letter to the Chancellor reminding her of the role academic staff play in the research enterprise and correcting the misconception in the press release stating that only faculty are responsible for research.
  - She will contact Academic Staff at Milwaukee to solicit interest in writing a joint letter to both chancellors.
- She will meet with the Professional Development and Recognition Committee to discuss:
  - Additional uses of the PD funds such as:
    - Individuals interested in governance to attend the annual Academic Staff UW System Institute.
    - UW-Madison Academic Staff Leadership Institute.
- Emailed the Provost the ASEC priorities
  - CASI reinvigoration and new CASI formation
  - Excellence Rewards Initiative
- Emailed the Provost and Steve Stern regarding the De Minimus impact of Academic Staff on 100% Sponsored Projects.

Secretary of the Academic Staff Report: Donna Silver
- UW System has issued a parking permit to her office to be used for System meetings only.
- Confirmed recognition of Academic Staff Excellence Awards recipients be held at the April 12, 2010 Assembly meeting.
- The Academic Staff Excellence Awards Ceremony will take place on 4/26 at the Fluno Center.
- Steve Lund has permanently transferred $1,000.00 to SAS budget. In the past the Secretary made an annual fund request for Leadership Institute support.
- Emails sent to all districts without representatives requesting volunteers—two districts responded:
  - Dima Klenchin - District 103 Representative.
  - S. Joey Johannsen - District 425 Representative.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Donna Silver, Secretary of the Academic Staff