Minutes Approved- February 25, 2010

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Academic Staff Executive Committee
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 18, 2010
69 Bascom Hall

Members Present: Daña Alder, Jo Ann Carr (Vice-Chair), Heather Daniels (Chair), Wayne Feltz, Charlene Krembs, Carla Love, Mary Ray, Valli Warren

Absent: Eric Bauman

Others Present: Paul DeLuca, Ron Kraemer, Steve Stern, Miriam Simmons, Vicki Kalscheur (representing the School of Veterinary Medicine CASI)

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, February 4, 2010 were approved.

Guest: Ron Kraemer, Chief Information Officer and Vice Provost for Information Technology
Provided background on the soon to be created Student Information Technology Initiative Advisory Committee (SITIAC)
- Requests ASEC to appoint three Academic Staff to the committee

Provost Update: Paul DeLuca, Provost
- Academic job security on Department Chairs March 3, 2010 agenda: focus on longer term appointments and related issues.
- Working with Kim Moreland, Director of Research and Sponsored Programs to find solution regarding the increase of de minimus.
- Discussion of the importance of CASIs with deans and directors.

Guest: Steve Stern, Vice Provost for Faculty and Staff Programs
Provided ASEC with an update on the: “Academic Staff Excellence Rewards Initiative.”
- Explore ways to collaborate with UW System on Distinguished Prefix and/or the creation of a fourth title.
  - Need for flexibility: in the way University relates to the State and to UW System.
- Focus on de minimus issue; avoid confusion as it relates to academic staff.
- Created Job Security fact sheet for chairs, deans and directors; asked for ASEC’s feedback.
  - Carla to send Steve percent decline of academic staff with rolling horizon and indefinite appointments. Data to be included in the fact sheet.
  - Suggestion by Daña that Steve find a way to communicate this information to departmental administrators.

April Academic Staff Institute: Steve is willing to give a breakfast keynote, attend sessions during the institute, and close the institute with brief remarks regarding next steps. Valli will take this under advisement at the next planning committee and report back to Steve.

Announcements

Mary requested information for UAPC regarding importance of majors with low enrollments and whether they should be dropped.

Daña requested PDRC look into areas not being recognized for future awards ideas. This was placed on ASEC’s to-do list.
Business

• Motion was made and seconded to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stats 19.85 (1) (c), to discuss:
  o Creation of a Nominating Committee election slate
• Motion was made and seconded to move out of Closed Session
• Nominating slate to be presented to the Assembly on March 8, 2010
• Orientation materials: Carla, Daña and Wayne requested parameters from ASEC
  o Agreed orientation should focus on governance
  o Possible focus groups with new academic staff to ascertain useful information.
  o Work with contact from Communications Committee.
  o Consult with Lindsey Stoddard Cameron regarding new faculty orientation
• Interest in formation of a subcommittee to review textbook costs from Associated Students of Madison.
  o Daña to notify ASM that Carla and Carrie Nelson, from Libraries, are the academic staff contacts.
• Consensual Relationships Policy: Heather requested that everyone read the policy for discussion on February 25, 2010.
• ASEC Poster for the Showcase: will forego this opportunity and revisit for next year.

Next ASEC Meeting Agenda 2/25/10

• Guest: Alice Gustafson, Administrative Process Redesign Project Leader
• Unit Clarification Resolution: ASEC, David Ahrens and Steve Lund
• Motion to convene in closed Session pursuant to Wisc. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c)
  o Academic Staff Appointments to: Student Information Technology Initiative Advisory Committee
• Follow-up with Ron Kraemer regarding SITIAC size and representation
• Consensual Relationships Policy Discussion and Review
• Academic Staff Assembly March Meeting Agenda – for discussion
• Communication Matrix: Mary Ray
• Discussion of Provost’s Written Response to ASEC Letter regarding the Provost’s Initiatives
• Academic Staff involvement in Madison and Milwaukee Collaborative Grants
• Next ASEC Meeting March 4, 2010 – for decision

LIAISON REPORTS
Faculty Senate – Daña Alder
CNCS – Charlene Krembs
Board of Regents – Valli Warren

March Assembly Meeting Agenda
Donna to revise draft for final review on February 25, 2010.
Donna to contact Kevin Niemi to request that he invite Robert Heideman’s wife to the Memorial Resolution.

Chair Report: Heather Daniels
• Met with Stacy Forster from University Communications. Stacy to cover campus governance. She is currently doing a story on the Secretary of the Academic Staff Art Gallery.
• To meet with Vince Sweeney regarding discussion on Furlough Service Day.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Donna Silver, Secretary of the Academic Staff