Chancellor Rebecca Blank called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. with 155 voting members present (109 needed for quorum). Memorial resolutions were offered for Professor Emeritus Mark Brownfield (Faculty Document 2735), Professor Emeritus Truman Graf (Faculty Document 2736), Professor Emeritus Philip E. Harris (Faculty Document 2742), and Professor Emeritus William Reddan (Faculty Document 2737). The 2017-2018 Hilldale Awards were presented to: Arts and Humanities Division: Professor Leslie Bow (English), Biological Sciences Division: Professor Rick Gourse (Bacteriology), Physical Sciences Division: Professor Guri Sohi (Computer Sciences), Social Sciences Division: Professor Mark Kenoyer (Anthropology).

Chancellor Blank congratulated the recipients of the 2018 Faculty Distinguished Teaching Awards: Philip Brown (Geoscience), Thomas Brunold (Chemistry), Jerome Camal (Anthropology), Ellen Damschen (Integrative Biology), Simon Gilroy (Botany), Daniel Klingenberg (Chemical & Biological Engineering), Nancy Rose Marshall (Art History), David McDonald (History), Majid Sarmadi (Human Ecology), Miriam Seifter (Law), Erica Simmons (Political Science), and Michael Thornton (Afro-American Studies). She also announced the opening of faculty elections to committees and reported on national rankings and several leadership changes and searches. There were no comments or questions. The minutes of the meeting of March 5, 2018, were approved.

Interim CIO Michael Lehman presented information on the UW-Madison Cybersecurity Risk Management Policy and its implementation (Faculty Documents 2738 and 2739).

Professor Anja Wanner (University Committee, District 120) moved adoption of Faculty Document 2728, which modifies the charge of the Campus Diversity and Climate Committee (CDCC). There was no discussion and the motion passed without dissenting votes. Prof. Wanner moved adoption of Faculty Document 2729, which creates a new committee addressing access and accommodation, including the following change: increase the number of academic staff from two to three, with one academic staff member on each of the subcommittees. Professor Chad Goldberg (Sociology, District 71) moved to amend the committee by removing charge “c” (“Serve as the first level appellate body for the denial of an academic or instructional accommodation where there is no existing internal appeal or grievance process.”) from the functions of the Subcommittee on Instructional Access. The motion was seconed and after one comment passed by voice vote. The motion as amended passed by voice vote without dissent. Prof. Wanner moved adoption of Faculty Document 2740, which disbanded three committees whose charges were made redundant by the preceding votes. The motion passed unanimously.

Prof. Wanner moved adoption of Faculty Document 2733, which comprises a number of updates and clarifications to FPP Chapter 6, and called attention to changes since the first reading. Prof. Goldberg moved to divide the question to consider each section separately. The motion was seconed and failed by voice vote. Prof. Goldberg moved to amend 6.01.F. as follows.

The faculty or Faculty Senate, or the University Committee or other authorized appointing body or other appointing body to which the faculty or Faculty Senate have delegated authority, may provide for the selection of committee members; the scope of their authority; the rules and regulations for their proceedings; and the form in which the committee’s work should be reported.

The motion was seconed and, after some discussion, passed by a show of hands. Prof. Goldberg moved amending the language of 6.01.G. similarly, as follows.

Ad hoc faculty committees established by the faculty, Faculty Senate, or University Committee or other appointing body to which the faculty or Faculty Senate have delegated authority are subject to the general provisions of this chapter.

The motion was seconed and passed by voice vote. Prof. Goldberg moved to strike the proposed language for 6.03. on advisory committees. The motion was seconed and after much discussion passed by voice vote.
Prof. Goldberg moved to replace “University Committee” in 6.04.A and 6.04.B. with “other appointing body to which the faculty or Faculty Senate have delegated authority.” The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Prof. Goldberg moved to add the following sentence to the end of 6.04.C.: “The University Committee’s decision may be appealed to the Faculty Senate.” The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote. Assistant Professor Betsy Stovall (Mathematics, District 63) moved to restore 6.09.C. to its original language, as follows.

If a committee makes a recommendation or proposes as resolution for action by the Faculty Senate, the vote of the faculty members on the committee on the recommendation or proposed resolution shall be reported to the Faculty Senate along with the total committee vote.

The motion was seconded and, after some discussion, passed by voice vote. Chancellor Blank noted that Chapter 6 would be renumbered appropriately to reflect the changes made today. Prof. Stovall moved that the language of proposed 6.09.C. (“A committee may seek changes to its charge by presenting a proposal to the University Committee.”) be removed. The motion was seconded and, after some discussion, failed by voice vote. The document as amended passed by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

The chancellor encouraged faculty to send comments and questions on first readings to the University Committee and/or the Secretary of the Faculty in the several weeks between first readings and votes, so that suggestions can be addressed and questions answered prior to bringing the matter to the floor. Prof. Wanner presented Faculty Document 2741, which comprises the final report of the ad hoc committee on 7th-year reviews and recommended changes to FPP based on that report, for a first reading. There were several comments, which will be considered and addressed prior to a vote on this matter.

Chancellor Blank adjourned the meeting at 4:58 p.m.

Steven K. Smith
Secretary of the Faculty