

**University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire
University Senate Executive Committee**

Minutes from February 1, 2022
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Present: Jasmine Case, Grace Crickette, Olga Diaz, Billy Felz, Abbey Fischer, Elizabeth Glogowski, Marquell Johnson, John Mann, Colleen Marchwick, Jill Markgraf Sean McAleer, Kelly Murray, Geoffrey Peterson, Kristin Schaupp, Charlotte Sortedahl, Pedro Sottile, Ryan Weichelt, Evan Weiher

Absent: Kent Gerberich, Patricia Kleine, James Schmidt

Guests: Margaret Cassidy, Mary Hoffmann, Debra Jansen, Corrynn Mahnke, Teresa O'Halloran, Jean Pratt, Louisa Rice, Aleks Sternfeld-Dunn

A meeting of the University Senate Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Weiher at 3:01 p.m. on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 via online (Microsoft Teams) meeting.

- 1) Approval of the University Senate Executive Committee Minutes of December 7, 2021
 - Approved as distributed
- 2) Review of the tentative agenda for the February 8, 2022 meeting of the University Senate
 - Approved as amended
 - Addition of the following:
 - For the record: Communication Sciences and Disorders for American Sign Language Certificate Rename
 - For the record: Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies program for Credit-Bearing Certificate Program: Women of Color Feminisms
 - For the record: Center for International Education [CIE] to close USAC Puntarenas, Costa Rica
 - For the record: CIE add summer term for South Cross University in Lismore, Australia
 - New Business: Department of Languages to establish a new emphasis in Spanish – Spanish, Comprehensive Major – Teaching Spanish and TESOL
 - New Business Suspension of Teaching Licenses - Grouped Together:
 - French, Minor – Teaching – MCEA Suspension
 - French, Minor – Teaching – EAA Suspension
 - German, Minor – Teaching – MCEA Suspension
 - German, Minor – Teaching – EAA Suspension
 - Spanish, Minor – Teaching – MCEA Suspension
 - Proposal for Spanish, Minor – Teaching – EAA Suspension
- 3) Open Forum
 - System asking for input from governance bodies for UW System President
 - Sue Kleusch, the Barron representative to Staff Council, shared this email with Abbey Fischer today
 - It seems like System is looking for feedback from shared governance bodies about the upcoming System Presidential transition
 - You should feel free to solicit feedback through your campus governance structures as you answer these questions.
 1. What are the major issues facing UW campuses and the UW System?
 2. What role should UW System Administration play in addressing each of these issues?
 3. Are there issues/topics that UW System Administration is not currently involved in, that they should be involved? If so, how?
 4. Are there issues/topics that UW System Administration is currently involved in that could be better managed by individual campuses or groups of campuses?

- 5. What would you like to see accomplished by the new System President in their first 100 days? And in the first year as System President?
- 6. Please provide any additional comments not addressed by the above questions.
 - Input from people could be sought, internal to this committee, as it is a quick turnaround
- According to the Legislative audit bureau UW System is 6% to the good so has there been any
- discussion at UW System to help system campuses offset debt
- Discussions on use of UW System central funds have been had but we have different buckets of money are for different purposes and we also have committed money, so do not know what fund that money surplus is from
 - Chief Business Officer level is discussing this
 - Instead of adding an academic level in EAB (software tool) give it to the campus for pay plans is what we asked for
- BOR recently fired an associate professor at UW Platteville, but the program was closed through shared governance, and they went through the whole process
 - The faculty member was offered two different positions on campus and turned them down, so they didn't feel they had any other options
 - Financial Exigency is very specific and has a specific definition and it requires the chancellor to "throw the towel in" and a lot of reviews would then be happening
- System president search and outcome
 - Decision to not do an open forum was made by the regent leadership
 - Not privy to the reasons that they decided not to do that
 - After semi-finalist lists (put forward 5 names) were forwarded is when the search committee found out
 - Had Zoom interviews with 11 candidates then 3 of the 5 dropped out for personal and financial reasons
- TTC
 - David Miller to be invited to the next University Senate Executive Committee meeting to answer questions on TTC as people are asking questions and can get no answers
 - May want to invite someone from System as well as data mapping and data upload problems are at the System level
 - Mapped titles sometimes pay more so she should be brought up to match the bottom of the new salary range for their title
 - If this happened to you and you do not see what you should then you should reach out to your HR representative
 - Library directors met with system representatives, and they said appeals will go on forever
 - We were also advised that there was a gap, so we were advised to create our own position description/title and submit it to TTC

4) Announcements

- None

Meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.

Submitted by,
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Secretary of the University Senate