

Academic Staff Senate Meeting  
May 11, 2009

Present: Susan Holm, Ray Reinertsen, Christina Kline, Tom Fennessey (chair), Ryan Kreuser, Donna Dahlvang, Joel Peterson, Tammy Fanning  
Absent: Jen Bird (secretary)

Meeting called to order 10:06 am

- I. Old Business
  - a. Motion to approve 4/13/09 minutes, Reinertsen. Second, Kline. Passed.
  - b. Reports:
    - i. Legislative – no report
    - ii. Personnel/Compensation – Kreuser: meet next week on appeal. Continued work on guidelines. Reinertsen noted that all rolling term appointments have been denied.
    - iii. Mentoring - Bird sent out materials ahead of time. Motion to move forward with mentoring program in fall term with minor changes to printed material as necessary, Kline. Second, Holm. Passed.
    - iv. AS rep – Dahlvang: Discussion of Leadership Conference at UW-Whitewater July 22-24, 2009. Meeting schedule for next year is being discussed but not yet set. Program realignment update; purpose is not for System to make program decisions but for campuses to be able to do so with global information. Chain of command for governance – Provost or Chancellor? UPG 3.05 further discussion; compromise re-write going to Al Crist this month.
      1. Action regarding rolling term denials: Motion to send letter to HR and Chancellor and Provost expressing our disappointment in denials. Ask for review after budget is determined. Express that we feel it's a violation of UPG 3.05; Reinertsen. Second, Peterson. Passed. Fennessey will draft.
  - v. Senate Chair – Fennessey: Last two Chancellor's cabinet meeting with governance chairs has been cancelled. Fennessey will address this with Faculty and Student Senate Chairs also. Joint resolution on Collective Bargaining was sent to Jauch, Milroy, Chancellor, and Joint Finance Committee. Jauch replied; Fennessey shared Jauch's response. AS professional development grant carryover was requested; Provost would not guarantee. Requested funding for AS to attend Leadership Conference at Whitewater; has not

been approved at this time. Info regarding conference will go out to AS at large, without mention of travel funding.

- c. Review of upcoming events
  - i. Faculty and Staff Recognition Program at 1:30 today
  - ii. Final Feeding frenzy tonight – 9-11pm
  - iii. Saturday, 6/6 community day at Challenge Course
  - iv. Commencement this Saturday, 2pm.
  - v. Leadership and Planning Retreat; CIPT Thursday/Friday this week
- d. Collective Bargaining – no update
- e. Other Old Business
  - i. Chronicle of Higher Ed update – none at this time

## II. New Business

- a. Senate elections
  - i. Reinertsen leaving. Holm, Bird renewed. Tie between Tu and Smith; tiebreaker went to Tu. His term begins now and will be for 3 years. Suggestion that next year we promote voting and use Survey Monkey; issues with low voting turnout, lack of Instructional Academic Staff voice on our Senate, etc. Motion that Senate consider proportionate IAS seats, Reinertsen. Kline second. Discussion of options for representation of IAS. Request to have IAS come speak to us in a fall meeting about representation. Passed.
  - ii. Officer elections: Fennessey nominated for chair by Fanning, Kline second. Bird nominated for Secretary by Reinertsen. Kreuser second. Both passed. One abstention.
- b. UW-Superior Budget and Positioning Process; CIPT. Motion to approve, Fanning. Kline second. Discussion to have Fennessey forward concerns about IAS language missing (Student Experience piece speaks only to Faculty) in document to Cabinet, today prior to retreat. Motion removed; Fanning & Kline.
- c. Call for committee Assignments: rep discussion; Dahlvang will continue. Fennessey noted a GREAT response to call.
- d. UPG 3.05 – already discussed under Rep report
- e. Unclassified Handbook; tabled for fall
- f. Salary Review; tabled for fall
- g. Professional Development Grant Awards; special meeting last Friday:
  - Anway \$757
  - Bird \$1000
  - Deadrick (Lynne) \$1000
  - Horky \$1000
  - Hunter \$1000
  - Larson \$757
  - Mooney \$986
  - Nelmark \$986
  - Peterson \$1000

Reinersen \$757

Toscano \$757

Vance \$1000

Tu \$1000

Motion to approve, Dahlvang. Kline second. Passed.

- h. Student Retention & Enrollment Committee recommendations – forum follow-ups; discussion on how it will be reviewed and moved forward.
- i. Regent visit – May 15
- j. UW Superior Academic Plan, FYI only. Will be presented at September Regent meeting. Email comments to Joel Sipress.
- k. Senate meeting dates; Fennessey will arrange, potentially Mondays 10am, keep as is. Motion to meet the second Monday of each month, beginning in August, Fanning. Second Holm. Passed.
- l. AS Leadership Conference – already discussed.
- m. Other new business
  - i. Academic department reorganization
  - ii. Year end report; Fennessey will compile
- n. What are people saying on campus?
  - i. Social: Wednesday, 5/20/09 @ 4:30, Thirsty Pagan. Fanning will arrange. Fennessey will send invite

Motion to adjourn meeting, Fanning. Second Kline. Passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Dahlvang