

Faculty Affairs Committee - Minutes

Monday, November 11, 2024

4:00pm – 5:00pm

Lincoln Room – Memorial Union

Members Present: Danny Wade (ex-officio), Miguel Gonzelez-Abellas, Ashley Maxwell, Shaun Schmidt, Eric Mosier, Barbara Scofield, Thomas Sneed, Jody Toerber-Clark, Tonya Ricklefs, Madeline Lambing

Absent: Von Hansen

Guest: Cynthia Holthaus

1. Call to Order at 4:02pm by Shaun Schmidt
2. Approval of Minutes – October 29, 2024
 - a. Tonya Ricklefs made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on October 28, 2024, as presented. Miguel Gonzalez-Abellas seconded motion. Motion carried.
3. Old Business
 - a. Amendment of Faculty Senate and General Faculty Relationship – Shaun Schmidt
 - i. The proposal was approved by Faculty Senate on November 4, 2024, and has now been moved on to the General Faculty meeting to be held on November 13, 2024.
4. Discussion
 - a. Senior lecturer language in the Faculty Handbook – Ashley Maxwell and Maddy Lambing
 - i. The item was finalized and sent to Faculty Handbook Committee for consideration. There is no Faculty Handbook Committee meeting scheduled at this time.
 - b. WUBOR Bylaws – Cynthia Holthaus
 - i. It was shared with the committee that WUBOR was updating their Bylaws which had not been done since 1982. We are moving policy matters out of Bylaws to the WUPRPM. Bylaws are intended to govern the Board.
 - ii. The WUPRPM has two sections, the first considered policy matters, and which is governed by WUBOR and those items considered regulations and procedures which are governed by the university. Especially differentiated by the WUPRUM.
 - iii. Faculty Affairs is tasked with reviewing the proposed changes to make suggestions and recommendations.
 - iv. The proposed new document requires two readings at Faculty Senate prior to its presentation to WUBOR at their December 5, 2024, meeting.
 - v. There was a lengthy discussion on many topics in the proposed document and clarifications and edits were suggested by the Faculty Affairs Committee members. The main concern of the committee was the lack of Faculty Senate presence in the document.
 - vi. Cynthia Holthaus confirmed there will be a slightly different version of the proposed document for the next reading at Faculty Senate on November 18.
5. Announcements

Approved: 3.3.25

- a. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 25, 2024, at 4:00pm in the Lincoln Room.
- 6. Adjournment
 - a. With no further business to discuss, Tonya Ricklefs made a motion to conclude the meeting which was seconded by Miguel Gonzelez-Abellas. Shaun Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 4:50pm.

Notes taken by Beth Mathews