**FACULTY SENATE MINUTES**

**April 13, 2021**

Present: Chrobak, Cortes, Cotti, Dilkes, Fuller, Fonkem, Herzberg, Jurmu, Kim, Krueger, Lancaster, Loewenstein, Luedke, Manning, Otto, Palmeri, Panske, Scribner, Short-Meyerson, Stojilovic, Stuart, Szydlik, Tirel, Weglarz, Wren

Excused: Heath, Matson, Wagoner

Absent:

Guests: Nicholas Ambrose, Melanie Marine, Carmen Faymonville

Administration Representative: John Koker

Senate of Academic Staff Representative: Laura Smolinski

University Staff Senate Representative: Lisa Goetsch - excused

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: Austin Hammond

Access Campus Report: Michael Jurmu/Carrie Tirel/Teresa Weglarz

**Minutes in Brief**

At the April 13, 2021 meeting of the Faculty Senate, reports of the Senate of Academic Staff, OSA, and Access Campus were given, and the minutes of the March 30, 2021 meeting were approved. Guest Nicholas Ambrose from Testing Services provided SOS administration updates. The discussion items included the Conference Committees draft language on Instructional Academic Staff voting rights, and the Sunset Claus for the election process. Action items included APC Forms C; handbook change form for updates to the LGBTQ+ committee, a call for nominations to the executive committee. Endorsement of the Faculty Representatives’ response to System on DE+ was tabled. President Scribner provided updates electronically following the meeting on the most recent meetings of the Conference on Shared Governance, Chancellor’s Administrative Staff, Provost Administrative Staff, and UW System Shared Governance. The meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

President Scribner called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

1. Guest: Nicholas Ambrose

A presentation was shared that covered the background of SOS, progress and steps made during the pandemic, and the next steps. A campus-wide policy on Qualtrics is needed. Testing services is working with other offices to eliminate survey fatigue as we continue to move forward. Nicholas noted his departure from campus and introduced Melanie Marine, who will be taking over his position.

President Scribner noted that the Improvement of Instruction (IOI) Committee has been working on a process to add departmental questions to the SOS as requested by Faculty Senate. The composition and charge of the IOI committee will soon be updated and coming before Senate.

1. State of the University
	1. Senate of Academic Staff (Smolinski) – At their last meeting, they approved their Elections Committee, a handbook change, and endorsed an OSA Resolution related to efforts to keep students involved in search and screens across campus when they are related to diversity and inclusion.
	2. University Staff Senate (Goetsch) – No report
	3. OSA (Hammond) – At their next (?) meeting, they will be working on mission and vision statement, the transition of new leaders and executive committee, and a few final resolutions.
	4. Access Campus (Jurmu/Tirel/Weglarz)
	5. Fond du Lac: They are happy to report that Athletics are coming back. Renee Anderson will be the next campus administrator. FDL will be hosting a preview night tomorrow. They continue drafting language to their committee structure.
	6. Fox Cities: They will be voting on the updated structure from their Collegium soon, with expectations for it to move forward to the full Senate for consideration.
2. Minutes of March 30, 2021

The March 30, 2021 minutes stand approved as distributed.

1. Unfinished Business
	1. Handbook Request – LGBTQ+ Committee Update

**MOTION: Szydlik/Stojilovic moved to approve the Handbook Request – LGBTQ+ Committee Update**.

**FS 2021-32 The Faculty Senate approved the Handbook Request – LGBTQ+ Committee Update. 22 Yes, 1 Abstention. Passed**

1. Discussion Items
	1. Faculty Senate Elections Sunset Clause - This elections process was established with the Access Campus merger two years ago and includes a sunset clause. The elections process must be reconsidered following the Spring 2021 elections. There was some discussion about how the process has worked and possible risks.
	2. Conference Committee Proposal to revise GOV 6.1 – The committee was formed, met a few times to draft language, and presented the draft. Significant discussion followed. Senators were reminded that there are three options available: vote to approve it, vote to reject it, or vote to request that the committee amends it (which can only be done once). If the Senate votes to request revisions, when it comes back to Senate, no further revisions can be requested. Only an approve or reject vote is allowed at that point.
2. New Business/Action Items
	1. Executive Committee Nominations – Declared open now and through next meeting. Senators were encouraged to let President Scribner or April know of any nominations between now and the next meeting, and a final call for nominations will be made at the next meeting.
	2. Endorsement of UWS Faculty Representatives Letter to the Regents regarding DE+

**MOTION: Loewenstein/Szydlik moved to table the item. 21 Yes. Tabled**

* 1. APC Forms C
1. COLS: Journalism – Advertising Certificate
2. COLS: Journalism – Advertising Major
3. COLS: Journalism – Multimedia Journalism Certificate
4. COLS: Journalism – Public Relations Certificate
5. COLS: Journalism – Social Media Certificate
6. COLS: Music – Remove MUS 016 as a required course
7. COLS: Music – Music ED remove MUS 016
8. COLS: Art – Combine Fine Arts 2D & Fine Arts 3D (Fine Arts Studio)
9. COB: Fin/BusLaw – MS Sust. Management – add 786 elective
10. COB: Executive MBA
11. COB: MBA – Project Management (PM) Emphasis
12. COB: Data Analytics Certificate

**MOTION: Szydlik/Lancaster moved to approve the Forms C from APC. 21 Yes. Passed**

**FS 2021-33 The Faculty Senate approved the following APC Forms C: (1) COLS: Journalism – Advertising Certificate; (2) COLS: Journalism – Advertising Major; (3) COLS: Journalism – Multimedia Journalism Certificate; (4) COLS: Journalism – Public Relations Certificate; (5) COLS: Journalism – Social Media Certificate; (6) COLS: Music – Remove MUS 016 as a required course; (7) COLS: Music – Music ED remove MUS 016; (8) COLS: Art – Combine Fine Arts 2D & Fine Arts 3D (Fine Arts Studio); (9) COB: Fin/BusLaw – MS Sust. Management – add 786 elective; (10) COB: Executive MBA; (11) COB: MBA – Project Management (PM) Emphasis; (12) COB: Data Analytics Certificate.**

1. Committee Reports – None
2. Information Items
	1. Elections Report – All those that ran were thanked. Winners are noted below: There will be one last run-off election for a tie over the 2nd seat in the Social Science Division.

WINNERS:

COB: Don Heath & Marianne Johnson

 COEHS: Hassan Elannai

 COLS – Humanities: Stewart Cole

 COLS – Math Science: Jen Szydlik & Courtney Kurtz

 COLS – Social Science: Karl Loewenstein, the 2nd Seat: Run-Off TBD

COLS – FAPA: Gail Panske

* 1. USP Items *[In One Drive for Senators]*

1. Explore: PHIL 212 – Philosophy of China

2. ANT 103 – An Introduction to Hmong/American Studies

3. MUSIC 236 – American Music and Equal

4. UWX-ECON 204 – Microeconomics

5. USP Course Approval Form

6. Ethnic Studies Checklist

7. Signature Question Checklists

 a. Civic Learning

 b. Intercultural Knowledge

 c. Sustainability

1. Items from Members
	1. Senator Cotti encouraged everyone to continue in their vaccination efforts.
2. President’s Report

President Scribner noted that she would send the following meeting updates via email after the meeting due to the lateness of the hour.

* 1. Provost’s Administrative Staff meeting - Drop date has been extended to the end of the semester, the search for the campus sustainability officer has started, and Nicholas Ambrose has taken a position on a different campus and Melanie Marine will be stepping into the role on an interim basis.
	2. Chancellor’s Administrative Staff meeting – They had a presentation on Title IX policy changes, and updates shared from: Enrollment management, IT, UMC, Access Campus, Finance, and HR.
	3. Conference on Shared Governance – At their last meeting the discussion was related to identifying challenges for the fall.
	4. UW System Board of Regents Meeting – DE+ discussion was the bulk of the meeting. A centralized system-led model was presented. Board members were positive about this approach to distance education. However, concerns from a variety of campuses have shown reason to slow the process down a bit.

**MOTION: Lancaster moved to adjourn at 4:56 p.m. Passed**

April Dutscheck,

Recorder