2001-2002 Assembly

Deborah Bowen Present
Michael Cohen, Vice Absent*
Nancy Farmer Absent
Michael Flanagan Absent
Therese Kennedy, Chair Present
Yvette Kell Present
Susan Kidd Present
Janet Ley Present
Gado Ongwela Present
Mark Stone Present
Phyllis Batra Present
Wendy DeMore Present
Terre Golembiewski Present

*Notified Chair of absence

Jennifer Brown was present as secretary.

1. Minutes were unanimously approved from November 28, 2001, after corrections, by a Kell/Kidd motion.
2. WSG had no report.
3. Kennedy reminded the assembly of Dave Vander Muelen's retirement. A resolution still needs to be put forth by the Athletic Director, Shawn Eichorst. This item will stay on the agenda until it can be voted on.
4. Lou Zahn has declined the nomination for the Board of Regents Award for Excellence. She feels that it will require too much of her time and that there are more qualified candidates. Kennedy has received no other nominations at this time.
5. Kennedy reminded the Assembly that members are expected to attend all meetings. Four (4) excused or unexcused absences could be cause for removal from the Assembly. Kennedy still needs to speak with Nancy Farmer regarding her schedule for second semester. She will also remind the Department Head that Nancy needs to be available to attend Assembly meetings.
6. Academic Staff Committee
   a. Academic Staff Awards Committee/Kell-No report
   b. Academic Staff Economic Issues Committee/Farmer-Retro pay has been issued, covering the months of September and October.
   c. Academic Staff Elections/Balloting/Ley-No report
   d. Academic Staff Government/Cohen-No report
   e. Academic Staff Job Security/Kennedy-No report
   f. Academic Staff Organization/Cohen-No report
   g. Academic Staff Professional Development/Stone-Stone presented to the Assembly the recommendations sent forth by the committee. Of the sixteen (16) applications submitted ten (10) were granted, totaling $11,796 in funding. The recommendations were accepted unanimously by a Kennedy/Stone motion. Kidd was absent during the discussion and voting.
   h. Academic Staff Instructional Promotions/Bowen-No report
   i. Academic Staff Review/Kidd-No report
   j. Academic Staff Title Appeals/Stone-No report
   k. Academic Staff Titling Committee/Ley-No report
   l. Academic Staff Awards and Recognition Committee/Flanagan-The committee voted on two (2) recommendations. Their pictures will be taken and a letter will be in the Reporter. Kennedy indicated that this program really needs to be promoted or there is a chance that the money allotted for these awards could be taken away. This program may be re-evaluated at the end of the year to see if any changes are in
order.
7. Brown has most of the web pages updated. Any info/dates that need updating should be brought to her attention.
8. Bowen informed the Assembly that she will not be able to represent the Academic Staff on the Chancellor's Diversity Focus Group do to her other commitments. Names of interested individuals should be sent to Kennedy and a vote may be taken via e-mail. Kennedy indicated she would pass on any details she may receive regarding time commitment so people have this information when making a decision. Stone shared with the group that Whitewater scored very low on Diversity in comparison to other four (4) year institutions in a nation wide study. He believes that this will be a very active committee.
9. No Future Agenda Items The meeting was adjourned at 12:35p.m. unanimously by a Kell/Golembiewski motion.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Brown