

Academic Staff Assembly Draft Minutes
11 February 2009, 12:00 – 1:00 pm, 264 UC

Present: Bridget Cohen (Assembly Program Associate), Denise Ehlen (Chair), George Clokey, Mike Flanagan, Giuliana Miolo (Vice Chair), Nadine Kriska, Patty Fragola, Paula Mohan, Kim Simes, Freda Briscoe, Nancy Farmer

Absent: Deb Bowen, Cigdem Unal, Elizabeth Ogunsola

The meeting was brought to order by Ehlen at 12:05 p.m.

- 1. Alumni Relations Presentation** –Tommie Jones spoke to the Assembly on Alumni Relations and touched on the various trips and events that are sponsored by Alumni Relations. The Assembly is encouraged to contact Tommie (jonesirt@uww.edu, x1391) with suggestions to improve outreach to current students and alumni.
- 2. Approval of Minutes from 28 January 2009 Meeting** –Approval of the minutes was deferred until next meeting.
- 3. Academic Staff Committee Reports**
 - a. Academic Staff Awards** – Miolo reported that the Awards Committee met and Therese Kennedy was elected as Committee chair. Miolo also reported Jan Bilgen was chosen as the campus' nominee for the Regents Award.
 - b. Academic Staff Economic Issues** –Ehlen, no report
 - c. Academic Staff Elections/Balloting** – Ehlen for Bowen, no report
 - d. Academic Staff Government** –Mohan reported to the Assembly that the Government Committee in collaboration with the Whitewater Student Government will co-sponsor a legislative visit during government week. The goals of the event are to discuss economic development, review how the campus serves underrepresented groups, highlight the “good work” the campus does, and discuss infrastructure challenges.
 - e. Academic Staff Organization** –Miolo reported that all committee vacancies have been filled.
 - f. Academic Staff Professional Development** –Ehlen reported that the Committee will be meeting next week to review February's applications.
 - g. Academic Staff Instructional Promotions** –Farmer reported to the Assembly that the Committee met Friday 6 February 2009 to review the applications. Ehlen/Simes moved in favor of ratifying the Committee's recommendations. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.
 - h. Academic Staff Review** – Ehlen for Ogunsola, no report
 - i. Academic Staff Title Appeals** – Ehlen for Unal, no report

- j. **Academic Staff Titling** – Miolo/Ehlen reported the committee has not acted on retitling requests since the last meeting of the Assembly.
 - k. **Academic Staff Rewards and Recognition Committee** – Flanagan reported that the next nomination deadline is Friday 13 February 2009.
4. **2009 Academic Staff Leadership Conference** – Ehlen, no report
5. **Updates/Announcements**
- a. **Council of Academic Staff Representatives**—Ehlen, no report
 - b. **Strategic Planning and Budget Committee** –Ehlen reported to the Assembly that copies of the February meeting minutes have been sent via email.
 - c. **Provost Search and Screen Committee** –Ehlen reported that the first finalist visits campus today and an open forum will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the UC. Ehlen encouraged the Assembly to attend.
 - d. **Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Search and Screen Committees** – Ehlen for Ogunsola, no report.
 - e. **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Task Force** – Ehlen for Hollar reported to the Assembly that Harlan Smith of the International Office received a grant in the amount of \$50,000 to provide additional scholarships and underrepresented applicants in the study abroad program. Ehlen also reported that study abroad applications for the 2009-2010 school year are due 15 March 2009.
 - f. **Pulliam Resolution** -Ehlen/Farmer moved to approve the revised Pulliam Resolution with corrections to format/typographical errors. Approval by unanimous vote.
 - g. **Edlebeck Retirement Resolution** -Ehlen asked the Assembly for any volunteers to draft a retirement resolution for Dan Edlebeck of the Registrar's Office. Ehlen will follow up with the Registrar's Office to identify a volunteer.
 - h. **Miscellaneous/Round Robin [Assembly Members]** –Flanagan announced there will be a movie screening in Center of the Arts tonight at 7:00 p.m. A Q&A session with the director and general discussion will take place after the screening. Clokey informed the Assembly that the Yellowstone trip went well. Plans for a series of lectures including a trip to Yellowstone are being discussed for future years.
6. **Other Business** –The Assembly will convene next at 12:00 pm on Wednesday 25 February 2009 in UC 264.

Consensus to adjourn at 12:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
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