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Academic Staff Assembly
7 March 2012 Minutes

12:00 – 1:45 p.m.
University Center 262

PRESENT: George Clokey, Denise Ehlen [Chair], Mike Flanagan, Patty Fragola [Vice Chair], Nadine Kriska, Giuliana Miolo, Kyle Naff, David Reinhart, Kim Simes, and Curt Weber

ABSENT: Freda Briscoe, Nancy Farmer, and Elizabeth Ogunsola

1. Approval of 8 February and 22 February 2012 Minutes: Simes/Naff moved to approve the minutes. The Assembly discussed/reviewed the minutes. Approved by unanimous vote.

2. Academic Staff Committee Reports
   
   a. Awards [Weber]: Weber announced that the Committee made recommendations for two Academic Staff Excellence Award nominees; one from the instructional ranks and one from the non-instructional ranks. Weber called for a vote to ratify the recommendations of the Committee. Simes/Fragola moved approval of the recommendations. Approved by unanimous vote.

   b. Economic Issues [Ehlen]: No report

   c. Elections/Balloting [Clokey]: Clokey reported that the notice of election went out to all academic staff on 5 March 2012. Clokey reported that he, Farmer, Naff, Briscoe, and Fragola are up for re-election. Clokey called for a vote to elect Ehlen as Chair of the Assembly. Simes/Reinhart moved to elect Ehlen as Chair of the Assembly. Approved by unanimous vote.

   d. Government [Kriska/Flanagan]: No report

   e. Organization [Fragola]: No report

   f. Professional Development [Ehlen]: Ehlen reported that one application was received for the March round. The Committee will be making recommendations next week and those recommendations will be brought to the Assembly for ratification at the next meeting.

   g. Instructional Promotions [Farmer]: Deferred until the next meeting.

   h. Review [Ogunsola]: Deferred until the next meeting.

   i. Title Appeals [Ehlen]: Ehlen announced that there has been a titling appeal and she will be convening the Committee to review the appeal.

   j. Titling [Naff]: No updates

   k. Rewards and Recognition [Simes]: Simes reported that three nominations were received on 1 March 2012. The Committee will be making recommendations and will bring those recommendations to the next meeting.

3. Updates/Announcements

   a. Assembly Priorities [Ehlen]: Ehlen reported that she will be finalizing the priorities document and will bring it to an upcoming meeting.
b. University Handbook Working Group [Weber]: Ehlen will add a handbook disclaimer to the Assembly website (i.e. “Currently being revised by the University Handbook Committee”).

c. UW System Benefits Working Group [Naff]: Naff reported that meetings will be held in the University Center on 20 March 2012 and 26 March 2012 regarding the new personnel systems. Naff will contact Judi Trampf, Director of Human Resources, to see if there will be a summary of the meetings available to those who cannot attend.

4. Other Business

a. ELARC [Ehlen]; Ehlen reviewed the ELARC documents with the Assembly. The Assembly provided feedback on the ELARC recommendations. Ehlen will bring the feedback of the Assembly to a future ELARC meeting.

b. UW System New Personnel Systems [Ehlen]: This was discussed as part of the benefits work group discussion.

Consensus to adjourn at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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