



WICHITA STATE
UNIVERSITY

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PROFESSIONAL SENATE

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 15, 2014

Present: Quinn Addis Hall, Belinda Bishop, Gina Crabtree, Janelle Darr, Gabrielle Dodosh, Kathy Downes, April Keim, Mandy Konecny, Maria Martino, Cheryl Miller, Susan Norton, Mark Porcaro, Sheelu Surrender, Heather Perkins (at-large).

Absent: Ellen Abbey, Sally Fiscus, Brett Morrill, Connie Dietz (ex-officio), Frankie Kirkendoll (ex-officio), Andrea Stipp (ex-officio), Jessica Treadwell (ex-officio)

Guest: Lana Anthis, Elizabeth King, Jillian VanCampen

I. Call to order at 9:01 AM

II. Approval of March 18, 2014 minutes

Motion made by Janelle Darr and seconded by Mandy Konecny. Motion passed.

III. Elizabeth King, President and CEO, WSU Foundation (power point slides attached)

- a. Elizabeth discussed the mission, core values and overview of the foundation
- b. Current and future initiatives were discussed
- c. Discussion on the comprehensive campaign planning
 - i. Overview of process, consultants and feasibility study
 - ii. Leadership briefing dinners with the President begin tonight. Briefings will be with 12-15 potential donors to discuss possibilities for the *vision to reality* campaign.
 - iii. Not sure what the final campaign will look like but projected total will be for approximately 35 million.

IV. President Bardo Meeting Report

- a. Gina reported that she met with President Bardo last week and a second meeting was convened with the constituent heads to discuss the budget.
- b. Dr. Bardo is focused on the innovation campus. He has hired an executive director (Ken Russell) for the advanced networking research institute.
- c. Dr. Bardo is hoping for a 3% merit increase this year and is planning for a 3% increase for classified staff, should they vote to leave civil service. Increases in property insurance, counseling and testing staff, financial aid staff are being discussed to accommodate the increase in students. Looking for an increase of 20,000 credit hours.
- d. Dr. Bardo anticipates flat funding from the state. He anticipates that a technology fee will be granted to fund distance education and the virtual one-stop.
- e. Dr. Bardo thinks that the parking fee will be increased to help with parking issues and the shuttle. We may be looking at metered spots on campus.
- f. These budget issues are being reviewed with a preliminary presentation to KBOR scheduled in the next month or so. He will also be discussing funding vs. the requests from the board, as well as the financial plan vs. the strategic plan.

V. New/Old Business

- a. University Policies Recommendations

- i. Gina received a memo from Ted stating that he is willing to discuss the recommendation from July 2013.
 - ii. The evaluations review committee will be chaired by Connie Dietz and the grievance review committee will be chaired by Ellen Abbey.
 - iii. Gina has charged these ad hoc committees to:
 - 1. Review what policies we currently have,
 - 2. Research best practices and,
 - 3. Make recommendations to move forward.
 - iv. Gina has asked that both committees have their first meeting prior to the May 1 general meeting
- b. EEO request for ombudsperson for UP's – Gina spoke to Francisco for clarification on his suggestion for this addition. Francisco feels that the ombudsperson should be a neutral party. They should not be an advocate for either party, but can assist if needed. Francisco will bring this information to the grievance ad hoc committee.

VI. Reports from Committee Chairs

- a. Service – No report.
- b. Professional Development – No report.
- c. Awards/Recognition – Gabrielle Dodosh reported that invitations have been distributed to the Shocker Pride celebration on April 30th.
- d. Legislative – Cheryl Miller stated that the legislature made no cuts to the budget and have added two million for the innovation campus.
- e. Grievance – No report.
- f. Election – April Keim reported that voting ends Friday. Senators are encouraged to email their constituents to remind them to vote. If there are any problems with the online voting, contact April.
- g. Dining Services – No report.
- h. UPS Website – Gina Crabtree reported for Kevin that the website was up to date and would be updated with the new slate of senators after the election.
- i. RSC Board of Directors – Lana presented the following notes from the April 3rd meeting
 - i. Shocker hall is on budget and on schedule. 739 or 784 spots are filled in Shocker Hall. Fairmont is at 30% capacity.
 - ii. Hardscape and landscape in front of Shocker hall and through Alumni drive pedestrian walk to be Kansas themed (native limestone, trees, etc.)
 - iii. Wheatshocker hall will be demolished in October of 2014
 - iv. Brennan Hall will be overflow and temporary office space for departments being remodeled.
 - v. July 1 WSU will technically take occupancy of RSC from Dondlinger construction. Minor construction will continue until mid-August
 - vi. RSC will have customer counters and POS counters to help analyze traffic and sales
 - vii. RSC grand opening will be Monday – Friday, September 15 – 19
 - 1. Monday 10:00 am - ribbon cutting
 - 2. Friday 11:30 am – Classified/UP staff luncheon
 - viii. The board approved money to replace the CAC theater steps
 - ix. Discussion that the outcome of the vote regarding Classified/University support staff will affect Union corporation as they try to mirror the classified staff as applicable

- x. The board held an emergency meeting in March where they voted to accept the new WSUUC retirement plan – both TIAA-CREF and ING will be vendors.
- j. Wellness – No report.
- k. Traffic Appeals - no report
- l. Unclassified Professional Staff Council – No report.
- m. Library Appeals – No report.

VII. As May Arise

- a. Gina and Cheryl noted that the classified vote to stay or leave civil service will be April 30 – May 2. Informational town hall meetings are happening now. All other KBOR universities have left civil service and become university support staff. Approval takes a simple majority.

VIII. Announcements

- a. General Meeting: May 1, 2014 – President Bardo, Francisco Gonzalez, Mary Herrin, Wade Robinson and Tony Vizzini will all be presenting updates at the general meeting. The meeting will take place in Hubbard Hall.
- b. Next Meeting: May 20, 2014
 - i. Cheryl asked if the senate would like to continue to meet in the LAS Boardroom, or would they prefer to move to the RSC once the renovations are completed. The decision was made to remain in the LAS Boardroom. Cheryl will get the 2015 academic year meetings on the calendar.

IX. Adjourned at 10:08 AM. Motion to adjourn made by Maria Martino and seconded by Cheryl Miller. Motion passed.

Submitted by Susan Norton