

SENATE OF ACADEMIC STAFF
Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2025
Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

Present: Biber, Boehler, Carriveau, Hart, Koch, Lambie, Ludwig, McArthur, Schrader, Smolinski, Walfish, Zemke

Excused: Kopplin

Absent:

Administrative Representative: Josh Garrison

Guests: Darryl Sims, Alex Hummel, Andy Miller, Kim Calmes, Molly Henry, Elizabeth Bloedow, Andy Miller, Heather Veaser, Erica Spicer, Rachel Cromheecke, Esmeralda Delgado, Liz Christopher, Sean O'melia, and Cole Reinke.

1. Call to Order – President Zemke called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone and Darryl to the meeting today.
2. Guest: Darryl Simms – Athletics Updates – Darryl shared updates on all the current sports and those just finishing up, highlighting successful seasons and achievements. Spring sports have now also started; they are anticipating a great semester and season. It was noted that we are thrilled to have a new outdoor track and field. Darryl answered a few questions from Senators and shared his appreciation for having him as their guest today.
3. Approval of the Minutes of February 27, 2025
Minutes stand approved as distributed.
4. Reports
 - A. President's Report
 1. Reminder of listening session coming up on April 3, 2025
 2. At the recent Leadership Council meeting it was announced that the Polk Library updates were approved as part of the governor's budget and now await approval from the Joint Finance Committee.
 - B. University Updates – Alex Hummel covered the following updates: Polk Library updates; Titans Take the Capital upcoming event where several staff engage with legislatures on campus related issues; the positive meeting at the recent Fox campus Town Hall; and the Chancellor's Search. It was noted that this is Women's History Month, and then he answered a few questions from senators.
 - C. Committee Reports
 1. Faculty Senate – (Smolinski) -Highlights included: Discussion related to the administrative evaluation committees upcoming revisions and process, and a lot of related Faculty handbook revisions, the steps in their updates to their constitution, and CAS.
 2. University Staff Senate (Carriveau) – Highlights included: No updates to share yet, but she does need a substitute for the April 16th meeting.
 3. Fox Campus Report (Carriveau) –Their campus had a positive and engaging campus visit with their Town Hall with Chancellor Leavitt. Senator Carriveau was thrilled to report that a large majority of their staff positions will be transitioning to the Oshkosh campus.
 4. Oshkosh Student Government – They just completed the elections of leadership for next year and are preparing for the leadership transition.
 5. UWS Academic Staff Reps (Zemke) – At their recent meeting updates included: UW policy prioritization and revisions have been tasked. Senators were informed to let

President Zemke aware of any issues or concerns related to the policies and she would share them.

6. AS Professional Development Fund – (Andy Miller) –Funding is still available, and senators were reminded to encourage colleagues to utilize these funds.
 7. Leadership Council – Highlights included: Notice that the announcement of the bookstore transition will be coming out around the second week in April.
 8. Administration Liaison (Garrison) – excused
5. Action Items – None
6. Discussion Items –
- A. President-Elect Lambie gave a brief update on the Chancellor’s Search: The search committee participated in two days of in person interviews in Milwaukee. They then selected some candidates for consideration of the next steps. The detailed events for the on-campus candidate interviews will be shared, and folks were encouraged to plan time to attend as many open forums as they can.
7. Information Items/Announcements
- A. For the good of the campus –
 1. President Zemke shared about an upcoming event for the annual celebration of student leadership and noted that judges are needed if anyone is willing to help out.
 2. President-Elect Lambie shared that on April 19th, they will be hosting the Healthcare Career Fair
 3. President-Elect Lambie reminded everyone of the upcoming student employee week, April 14-18.
 - B. Next meeting: April 3, 2025: Will be a listening Session Reeve 221, everyone was encouraged to attend
8. Adjourn
Meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
April Dutscheck,
Recorder