

SENATE OF ACADEMIC STAFF
Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2023
Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

Present: Boehler, Carriveau, Christopher, DeJager, Heller, Hoffman, Kuss, Lambie, Lewis, Meyer, McArthur, McDaniels, Miller, Palmer, Smolinski, Walfish

New Senators: Biwer, Lenski, Schrader, Stevens, Zemke

Excused: Flieller

Absent:

Administrative Representative: Carmen Faymonville

Guests: Kim Langolf, Kari Meszaros

1. Call to Order – President Carriveau called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
2. Guest: Kim Langolf – Institutional Effectiveness Updates – AVC Langolf went through the creation of their new office and it's role. Goals include having a new dashboard of information available to staff; data request processes; Strategic Planning follow up, Policy tracking and maintenance.
3. Approval of the Minutes of April 27, 2023
Minutes stand approved as distributed.
4. Reports
 - a. President's Report -
 1. University Town Halls updates were well attended and included updates on the Childcare Center and System IT and HR Interface.
 - b. Committee Reports
 1. Faculty Senate (Smolinski) – Highlights included: They welcomed newly elected Senators that will begin in the fall; Provost shared university updates, had a presentation on a proposed School of Informatics; discussed a policy on extending voting rights to instructional academic staff; approved several typical action items and discussed their meeting platform for next year.
 2. Oshkosh Student Association – (Palmer) – Highlights included: They swore in their new officers and held a lengthy discussion on flags in Reeve Union.
 3. University Staff Senate (McArthur) – Highlights included: No Report
 4. Access Campuses Report -
 - a. Fox Cities (Hoffman) – Highlights included: At their final Collegium, they discussed Strategic Planning, scheduling, and they handed out awards to this year's winners of the White Award.
 - b. Fond du Lac – (DeJager) – Highlights included: At their final Collegium they celebrated new members, and noted their well-attended 'Farewell Fondy' event at which they recognize outstanding students and staff.
 5. UWS Academic Staff Reps (McArthur & Smolinski) – Highlights included: Policies are that are being discussed and revised; discussion on staff with PhDs and IAS; budget discussions; and getting back to the WI IDEA that everyone has access to an education. It was noted as a very vibrant System Representatives meeting.
 6. AS Professional Development Fund (Miller) – They are accepting applications for the 23-24 FY and preparing the expense report for this year.
 7. Leadership Council - (Rotating Senators) – Institutional Effectiveness Updates were presented and Childcare updates were shared in addition to normal reports.
 8. Administration Liaison (Faymonville) – AVC Faymonville shared her appreciation for working with her over the years; encouraged everyone to keep focusing on goals; and shared her willingness to continue to be a resource if needed. She ended with;

Please be well, be resilient, and do the good fight!

5. Action Items –

A. Committee on Committee appointments

MOTION: Miller/Christopher moved to approve the committee on committee appointments. (14 Yes), (0 No), (2 Abstentions). Passed

SAS 2223-20 The Senate of Academic Staff approved the committee on committee appointments.

B. Meeting Platform for 2023-2024 – Senate discussed and agree to continue to hold their meetings virtually for next year.

MOTION: Christopher/Miller moved to approve that the meeting platform for the Senate for 2023-2024 be held virtually. (14 Yes), (0 No), (2 Abstentions). Passed

SAS 2223-21 The Senate of Academic Staff approved that the meeting platform for the Senate for 2023-2024 be held virtually.

C. Policy on extending Faculty Voting Rights to Academic & University Staff

MOTION: Boehler/Miller moved to approve the Policy on extending Faculty Voting Rights to Academic Staff & University Staff. (0 Yes), (14 No), (2 Abstentions). Passed

SAS 2223-22 The Senate of Academic Staff DID NOT APPROVE the Policy on extending Faculty Voting Rights to Academic Staff & University Staff.

TRANSITION: Outgoing President Carriveau passes the gavel (Virtually) to incoming President Boehler. Newly elected Senators now fully participate and vote, and outgoing Senators end their term and voting power.

Past-President shared that it's been a lot of work, but she enjoyed getting to work with everyone. She also took a moment to thank outgoing Senators and encouraged them to consider serving again in the future.

President Boehler thanked Past-President Carriveau and the executive committee for their great leadership and looks forward to working with everyone this coming year.

6. Action Items:

a. Install newly elected Senators

- i. Instructional – Craig Biver (OSH)
- ii. Professional/Administrative – Anthony Lenski (OSH), Patty Schrader (OSH), Jim Stevens (OSH), Angela Zemke (OSH)
- iii. FDL – IAS Representative – Christopher Flieller (FDL)
- iv. Presidential appointment – Daphne Lewis (OSH)

b. Install re-elected Senators

- i. Professional/Administrative – John Palmer (OSH) & Leslie Walfish (OSH)

Newly elected Senators were given a chance to introduce themselves to everyone and were welcomed to Senate!

c. Nominate & Elect Executive Committee

- i. President – Boehler
- ii. President Elect – Lenski
- iii. Vice President – Palmer
- iv. Past President – Carriveau
- v. Member at Large – Oshkosh Campus - Lewis

vi. Member at Large – Access Campus - Hoffman

MOTION: Christopher/McArthur moved to approve the appointments to the executive committee. (16 Yes), Passed

SAS 2223-23 The Senate of Academic Staff approved the following members to the executive committee for the 2023-2024 academic year: Boehler, Palmer, Lenski, Carriveu, Lewis & Hoffman.

d. Senate Appointments

- i. OSA Rep. - John Palmer self nominated
- ii. University Staff Rep. - Jim Stevens self nominated
- iii. Faculty Senate Rep. - Liz Christopher self nominated
- iv. UW System - Academic Staff Rep (also attends Exec Meetings) - Angela Zemke

MOTION: Carriveau/Heller moved to approve the appointments of Representatives for Senate. (16 Yes), Passed

SAS 2223-24 The Senate of Academic Staff approved the following appointments to Representatives for Senate: OSA Rep-John Palmer; University Staff Senate -Jim Stevens; Faculty Senate – Liz Christopher; and UW System Academic Staff Rep – Angela Zemke.

e. Senate Committees

- i. Election Committee - 2 Senators [non-exec] needed Heller/Schrader volunteered.
- ii. Committee on Committee - 3 Senators needed: (2 OSH & 1 AC) – Hoffman/Christopher/Stevens volunteered.
- ii. IAS Committee – 2 IAS Senators (1 OSH, 1 AC) - Hoffman/Miller volunteered.

MOTION: Carriveau/Lewis moved to approve the appointments to Election, COC, & IAS committee. (17 Yes), Passed

SAS 2223-24 The Senate of Academic Staff approved the following appointments to Election Committee: Heller & Schrader; the COC Hoffman, Christopher, and Stevens; and the IAS Committee Hoffman and Miller.

7. Discussion Items - None

8. Information Items/Announcements

- a. For the good of the campus
- b. Have a great summer!
- c. Senator Walfish shared current exhibitions to view.
- d. Senator Christopher shared her gratitude for those that have taken the IT Survey.
- e. Senator Boehler expressed his hope to be sure shared governance remains key as it is imperative to WI and looks forward to working with everyone next year.

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

April Dutschek, Recorder