

UNIVERSITY STAFF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021 / 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

GALBRAITH ROOM AND VIA WEBEX

Members Present: Katy Aiello, Sherry Craig, Mary Henderson, Carol Kinsley, Julie Lee, Laura McClure, Heather Spencer, Jenni Wagner

Members Absent: Bob Grieshaber, April Puryear

Call to Order: 1:03pm

Meeting Minutes Approval for November 11, 2021

Minutes approved with one correction (date error).

System Governance Meeting

USC portion – all morning was devoted to TTC.

Combined section was TTC.

Seems that Admin Assistant/ADA issues are the biggest concern. ADA group forming at Eau Claire – creating possible group appeal. We realize that titles don't mean too much due to large salary range. Proposing extending appeal date to January 19th. Staff felt that the extension would be helpful due to holidays, etc.

All campuses are "closing" the week after Christmas with the option to work from home.

Most campuses still have protocols in place for masking.

Loss of University Staff positions to Academic Staff is affecting committee membership.

Presidential search – hoping finalist(s) identified in February. Still pushing that USC be represented.

Student Behavioral Health Initiative – study and stats on how students are handling the pandemic.

Funding to help students was removed by State Legislature.

COVID Concerns

Discussed our concern about how we're still in a pandemic but benefits are not available, even though we still need them. Inconsistency of coverage is a concern. Seems like we are not being protected, including students, with contact tracing. Campus does not seem to be reaching out or letting others know. The new Work From Home policy seems a bit overboard.

Parking Appeals Committee

Mary Henderson has volunteered. Jenni will let Jim Heller know.

Meeting Venue

Galbraith room has been booked through June. Discussion about whether to keep the virtual option. Decided to keep it as is for right now.

New Business

No new business discussed

Academic Staff/ASAP25

Committee read through it and does not endorse it as it stands. Seems like it is an annual report versus a plan. Appears to cover past and not what we want to do. Several narratives and/or written by different authors. Contradicting information. ASC wants something more concrete, not as vague. We should have something measurable.

Julie is going to request a newer version. We will put this on the agenda for January.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned 2:32pm

Minutes submitted by: Jenni Wagner, Secretary