Professional Staff Council

Monday, September 23, 2013
10:00 – 11:00 AM

MINUTES

I. Welcome and Roll Call

II. Committee Reports

III. Others News/Discussion

In Attendance: Brittany Hubbard, Leigh Ann Meyer, Sara Sorg, Jim Wolfe, Amanda Stonecipher, Mary Beth Nanz, Steve Bennison, Lark Mullins, Jen Myers, Rebecca Turner, Chanel Barbour

Absent: Matt Springer

I. Meeting was called to order by Brittany Hubbard. Minutes for September 4 meeting were approved.

II. No committee reports were made, as committees have not met yet for the current academic year. B. Hubbard noted that some committee seats are assigned while others are voluntary; will review which is which and send information to PSC members to get committees formed.

III. Other News/Discussion:

Chancellor Search:

• B. Hubbard noted 1 person attended the Town Hall meeting on September 13, 5 attended on September 17.

• B. Hubbard interested in pursuing potential to nominate Dr. Bichelmeyer as candidate for Chancellor Search.
  o How to get faculty support for such a nomination? Speak with Deans, Faculty Senate
  o Professional Staff feedback has been very positive based on email B. Hubbard sent seeking input.
  o Important considerations:
    ▪ Can Dr. Bichelmeyer be a candidate? Is she “allowed”
    ▪ Is she interested? Need evidence that she would accept candidacy.
    ▪ A concern was raised that we have only known Dr. Bichelmeyer a few weeks, but it was also noted we’ve known her longer than any other candidate to date.
    ▪ There is evidence of Dr. Bichelmeyer having been a candidate at other institutions for similar positions in the past year.
    ▪ Concern that PSC not be seen as advocating directly for Dr. Bichelmeyer over others, but rather as putting forth information based on feedback.
- Note that other candidates may decline with an internal candidate in the running, but may be preferable to have a known entity. Emphasis to remain on the word candidate.
- B. Hubbard will contact J. Barry for Faculty Senate feedback and Dr. Bichelmeyer regarding her desire to be a candidate.
- L. Mullins will create feedback form, which can be used on an ongoing basis for Professional Staff to voice opinions and concerns.
- J. Wolfe asked a clarification question about the role of the PSC and whether or not this is an appropriate use of PSC time/influence. B. Hubbard shared some history of the PSC.

**Other:**

- Interest in submitting names for Dr. Bichelmeyer’s Action Teams.
- October meeting time change to 1 p.m.