

JOINT LEGISLATIVE/REGENTS COMMITTEE
2015-2016 Membership Roster

Faculty Members:

Adam Hoffer
Heidi Jones
Lori Reichel, Convener

Academic Staff Members:

James Bushman
Cynthia Carlson (Council Rep.)
Patricia Fairchild

University Staff Members:

Susan Koehler

Student Members:

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

Room 2200 Centennial Hall

Attending: Adam Hoffer, Lori Reichel, Cynthia Carlson, Susanne Koehler, Heidi Jones, James Bushman, Patti Fairchild, Joe Heim

Meeting Convened: 10:32 in room 2200 Centennial Hall by Lori Reichel

1. Introductions
2. Volunteer for taking Minutes
 - a. James Bushman volunteered
3. Meeting times
 - a. Determined Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. work for the group
4. Last Meeting
 - a. Lori & Joe Heim gave an overview of what the committee has accomplished in the past
 - b. Last year's minutes available: [here](#)
5. Additional news/this year's ideas
 - a. What to expect this year: greeting legislators and regents when they visit campus, attending and supporting political events on campus (i.e. debates), Joe mentioned a networking dinner/meeting in Madison on February 3rd, 2016.
 - b. Joe will share information, often via Lori, when he has something of value. He expects the fall to be quiet, with no primary election in Wisconsin. However later in the semester things may pick up as legislative priorities are made clear. We will also ask Chancellor Gow for any direction he would like the committee to go.
 - c. Two UW System Regents are assigned to UWL as Regent liaisons or "Campus Buddies"
 - i. [We have Tim Higgins and Drew Petersen](#)
6. Other items
 - a. We will have two students joining our committee when they are assigned.

Patti moved to adjourn, James seconds.

Adjourned

Next meeting:

Tuesday November 10th, 10:30 a.m. Room TBD

Minutes respectfully submitted by James Bushman, 9/29/15

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Tuesday December 8, 2015

Centennial Hall Room 1200

Attending: Lori Reichel Cynthia Carlson, Patty Fairchild, Susanne Koehler, James Bushman, Joe Heim

Meeting Convened: 10:09 a.m. in room 1200 Centennial Hall

1. Review of last meetings' minutes.
 - a. Patty moved to approve as amended, Joe seconds
2. Concealed Carry Update
 - a. Academic Staff has been discussing with groups to formulate a document with costs that would be involved if concealed carry was permitted in campus buildings.
 - b. Discussed clarification on JLRC involvement in the process and questioned efficiency of the process.
3. Future Legislative Forum in February
 - a. Concealed Carry would be a great topic to get people's stories out
 - b. We want to have a full room of people with the right questions to energize the politicians.
 - c. Candidates are generally flexible, Shilling has three preferred dates, Doyle has one out.
 - i. Selected Friday, March 4th from 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
 - d. Group should meet before to develop issues to discuss and create a joint letter to hand out to the officials.
 - e. Let's create a plan to publicize this event: Press Releases, Campus Connection, Chancellor Email, Digital Signs, Group "Sponsors", other ideas?
4. Bill Review Emails
 - a. Reviewed UW System Bill Tracking Paperwork
 - b. Perkins Loan
 - i. It may be back again and may be part of a deal to avoid a government shutdown. Joe says Sen. Baldwin is supportive; Sen. Johnson is neutral or opposed.
 - c. Medical Amnesty Bill
 - i. Does UWL already have a similar policy in place?
 - d. GROW
 - i. A follow up for loan consolidation
 - ii. May see the floor since it impacts rural areas, which are represented by many legislators who are in Madison.
5. Other items?
 - a. Joe: Make sure you encourage everyone to participate in strategic planning efforts.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting:

Tuesday, February 9, 2016, 10am

Minutes respectfully submitted by James Bushman, 2/8/16

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday February 9, 2016

Room 257 CC

Attending: Lori Reichel Cynthia Carlson, Patty Fairchild, Susanne Koehler, James Bushman, Joe Heim, Becca Steck

Meeting Convened: 10:02 a.m. in room 257 Cartwright Center

1. Review of last meetings' minutes.
 - a. Joe moved to approve, Susanne seconds
2. Legislative Open Form – will be Friday, March 4th
 - a. 3-4:30 p.m. works well for campus and lawmakers
 - b. Will be held in the Ward Room
 - c. Discussion on topics to include in publicity and in discussion
 - i. Concealed Carry, UW Salaries (& Benefits), Underage Drinking Amnesty, State Budget Issues, UW Parking Revenue, Student Debt, Fetal Tissue, GROW
 - d. Goal is to have publicity out around Feb. 19th
 - i. Ask your Governance Group to send an email and to “Sponsor” the event (gives legitimacy to the event) by 2/12
 - ii. James will get it in the campus connection and on social media
 - iii. Susanne will build Digital Signage and Posters
 - iv. Lori will ask Chancellor Gow to send a campus wide email.
 - v. Joe Heim will serve as the convener.
3. Other Current Events
 - a. Lawmakers are considering changes to voter registration
 - i. Current legislation would allow online registration, but take away special registration deputies, putting voter registration drives at risk.
 - b. Joe is meeting with University Centers to discuss Voter ID requirements for students.
 - i. The goal is to help students ensure the ability to vote.
4. Additional News
 - a. CBA students and alums had an event in Madison earlier this month.
 - i. They met with alums working in and around the capital, as well as lawmakers and some state supreme court justices.
 - b. Concealed Carry Discussion
 - i. Academic Staff Council has compiled information from several campus groups they represent. They are looking for JLRC's help in creating a statement or resolution to have approved by JLRC and the governance groups to send to lawmakers.
 - ii. James & Cynthia will head up the effort, asking for help along the way as needed.
 - iii. A draft will be emailed for approval to the committee.
 - iv. Ideally, this will be done before the Legislative Open Forum.

Meeting Adjourned, 11:07 a.m.

Next meeting:

March 2, 2016 @ 3 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by James Bushman, 2/16/16

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Wednesday March 2, 2016

Room 263 CC

Attending: Lori Reichel, Cynthia Carlson, Patty Fairchild, Susanne Koehler, James Bushman, Joe Heim

Meeting Convened: 3:04 p.m. in room 263 Cartwright Center

1. Review of last meetings' minutes.
 - a. Joe moved to approve, Cynthia seconded
2. Resolution Opposing Concealed Carry Weapons in UWL Buildings
 - a. Discussed edits to the resolution – authors, addendums, etc.
 - b. Waiting for approval by Governance Groups
 - c. Approved by JLRC by Voice Vote
 - d. Cynthia will bring copies to the forum for the legislators
3. Legislative Open Form – Friday, March 4th
 - a. Chancellor Gow will be at the event
 - b. Shilling, Billings, Danou, Doyle Confirmed. No response from Nerison or VanderMeer
 - c. Everyone should have 1 Question prepared to help get things going
 - i. Maybe related to your group or from the Bill list Joe provided
4. Additional Items?
 - a. Interest in holding a similar forum for federal issues?
 - i. Joe will contact Kind, Bladwin, Johnson offices asking about late May, early April availability

Meeting Adjourned, 3:35 p.m.

Next meeting:

April 20, 2016 @ 3 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by James Bushman, 3/04/16

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Wednesday April 20, 2016

Room 263 CC

Attending: Lori Reichel, Cynthia Carlson, Patty Fairchild, Susanne Koehler, James Bushman, Joe Heim

Meeting Convened: 3:01 p.m. in room 263 Cartwright Center

1. Review of last meetings' minutes.
 - a. Susanne moved to approve, Cynthia seconded
2. Open Forum Debrief
 - a. Promotion of event went very well
 - b. Can we offer an alternative for asking questions?
 - i. Have people write them and add to a prepared pool?
 - ii. Email ahead of time?
 - c. Plan to have it again in next spring
 - i. Expect a larger turnout with it being a budget year
3. Fall Debates
 - a. With it being an election year, we tend to host debates for races that impact our area.
 - i. Dates are: Tuesday, Oct. 11, 18 & 25, and Monday, Oct. 31
 - ii. All scheduled for 7-8:30 p.m. in Port O' Call
 - iii. Races include 3rd Congressional District, 32nd State Senate District and 94th & 96th State Assembly Districts.
 - iv. Other political races, e.g. Feingold/Johnson, could offer Open Forums as candidates request. Debates may be difficult to schedule.
4. Next Year?
 - a. Lori inquired if anyone is currently interested in being chair/convener for next year. Members expressed feeling comfortable with her continuing as such.
 - b. Lori will convene and chair for 2016-17.
5. Other Business
 - a. Regents Forum is probably on the backburner for the time being. We can revisit later.

Meeting Adjourned, 3:53 p.m.

Next meeting:

Sept, 13, 2016 @ 2:30 p.m. Room TBD

Minutes respectfully submitted by James Bushman, 4/25/16

Motion to approve of these minutes took place through email. S. Koehler motioned to approve/J. Heim seconded. 6-0-0 as of Wednesday, May 4, 2016.