

## Academic Staff Council Meeting

February 13, 2023  
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### Minutes

Members Present: C. Hawkins, M. McKinney, B. McConaughy, M. Pierce, C. Jakusz, W. Van  
Roosenbeek, K. Malecek (virtual), K. Foss (Virtual)

Members Absent: N. Davis, J. Brick

1. Call to Order: 10:36 AM
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 9, 2023
3. Andrew Ericson presentation - Sustainability
  - i. What can UWL individuals do to help with sustainability?
    1. Means of transportation: take the bus, walk, bike when allowable
    2. Food you eat: less beef, higher plant based meals
    3. Separate your trash correctly
    4. Concerns: custodial staff not emptying into the correct receptacles
  - ii. Prairie Springs Lecture series: February 22 7pm Graff Main Hall Auditorium
  - iii. Streaming Options are available
  - iv. <https://www.uwlax.edu/news/posts/sustainability-superstar/>
4. Free Speech survey update
  - i. Looking to bring someone into our March meeting to discuss the results
    1. Any suggestions on who is best, send to Chandra or ASC email
  - ii. Results: <https://www.wisconsin.edu/civil-dialogue/>
5. Committee updates
  - i. Professional Development
    1. Reviewing applications next week
  - ii. By-laws/Elections
    1. Looking to get the by-laws up to date. If anyone has any copies after to 2017, forward to Chandra, Will, or the ASC email
  - iii. Hearing and Grievance

6. Madison Update

- I. Met February 3
- II. Topics of discussion: progression, strategic plan, free speech survey
- III. President Rothman as well as Board of Regent members were in attendance along with an increase in student presence
- IV. There was a consensus that the free speech survey was a poor representation of UW System as only 12% of the student population was reached. However, there was not sufficient time to ask questions about the results, etc.
- V. Discussion of a possible tuition increase (4-6%), but no confirmation
- VI. There will be no March meeting due to Spring Breaks. Committee will reconvene in April

7. Announcements and Open Discussion

- i. Topic/speaker suggestions?
- ii. Continue to send suggestion to the ASC email or utilize our e-suggestions link
- iii. NSSE Survey – Going out to 1<sup>st</sup> years and Seniors next week: reach out to Patrick Barlow with questions or concerns
- iv. International Education events: <https://www.uwlax.edu/international-education/current/events/>
- v. April 4-6: Criminal Justice week
- vi. April 1: Drag Show – Contact Will to sign up
- vii. Advancement Lunch and Learn – Crowdfunding: <https://www.uwlax.edu/events/?e=27554>
- viii. GEL is still looking for Kids College instructors – February 17 is the Deadline for the April 14 event (you will get paid!!!) – Reach out to Spencer Hulseley to sign up

8. Adjournment: 11:28AM