

University Staff Council (USC) minutes
Tuesday, January 09, 2017 --- 2:00-3:00pm
UW-La Crosse, Graff Main Hall Room 325

- Call to Order – 2:00 pm
- Roll Call
 - Attendees: Domingo Carrion, Mary Grattan, Brandon Harris, Ingrid Iverson, Susanne Koehler, Ben Kolpitzke, Devyn Marazes, Megan Stauffacher, Mandy Wagner
 - Absent: Jeremiah Collins, John Pieper, Kathy Thoen
 - Guests: Madeline Holzem, Sheri Craig, Becky Yoshizumi, Laurie Collison
- Approval of Minutes
 - December Minutes
 - Changes made:
 - Mary/Ingrid approval with changes
- Treasurer's Report
 - No changes
 - Susanne/Mary

102	\$23,867.50
136	\$4,503.71
SFO	\$1,392.38
- Human Resources Update
 - No update from Madeline
- Committee Reports
 - Committee On Committees – no update
 - Bylaws
 - Second read of bylaws change Committee chairs annual report
 - As stated in minutes, add that reports is compiled by USC chair for the USC webpage
 - Susanne/Ingrid/Approved
 - Program/Grants/Fundraising/PR --Becky shared updates
 - New Chair is Karen Deschepper
 - Professional development grant (later in agenda)
 - Showcase event. Last year was murphy library. Looking at doing the U in the spring
 - USC was not in the rotary lights this year, unable to get in touch with the rotary
 - Hopefully will have a spring newsletter
 - University Staff Excellence Award
 - Susanne shared updates
 - Communication for nominations is being sent
 - Will be looking at the flyer and making updates
 - UW System Shared Governance Updates – no update, next meeting is next week
 - Elections Committee – no update, Brandon will charge a committee

- Joint Committee Representation Reports
 - Academic Initiatives Oversight—update from Mark Beckerjeck: the name changed to Academic Initiatives Differential Committee, no other updates
 - Joint Planning and Budget—hasn't met since last meeting, no report
 - Legislative and Regents—no report
 - Multicultural Affairs—no report
 - Parking—no report
 - Textbook—no report
 - Environmental Sustainability—no report

- Old Business

- New Business
 - USC Grant Program
 - Megan and Brandon shared the website
 - Mary suggested a pdf of the questions that are on the application
 - Mary asked question regarding the spending plan for the \$5000 that was approved through the end of FY2019.
 - Discussion was had on the lack of a cap on the amount per application and whether one is needed.
 - Brandon shared that the funds in USC's 102 account are funds that we need to spend down and should not be used as an operating budget for the council and encouraged the sub-committee to spend the funds available.
 - Discussion was had about the pilot program and that the sub-committee could ask for more funds in necessary.
 - Discussion about having a 3-5 members on the sub-committee, at least one representative from each of the three USC categories, PFG committee will finalize the structure
 - Discussion about adding a channel for appeals to the sub-committee decisions
 - Volunteers for sub-committee: Sheri Craig, Susanne Koehler, Ben Kolpitcke
 - PFG will send a call for more volunteers
 - Becky asked for update regarding the menstrual products and the locations of the new machines and the mirror signs. Brandon will follow up with Doug Pearson for clarification

- **GET ENGAGED:** Consider joining a committee!
 - [Conference for the Office Professional](https://www.talent.wisc.edu/home/Hide-A-Tab/ConferencesSpecialEvents/OfficeProfessionalConference/tabid/383/Default.aspx) – UW Madison April 24, 2018
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- Adjourn – 2:46 pm