

## Joint Planning &amp; Budget Committee Minutes

1:15 p.m., September 10, 2025

In person, Student Union 2310 – Senate Chambers

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Recorder: Yu

JPB Committee and Ex-Officio Members in Attendance: Achenreiner, Bearhart, Brooks, Craig, Ericson, Figueroa, Galbraith, Grunwald, Jax, McAndrews, McCue, Morgan, Narcotta-Welp, Neupane, Newton, Pope, Richter, Roraff, Schweiger (via Teams), Shonk, Sudhakaran, Thomsen, Trnka, Weston, Wycoff-Horn, Yu, Ziegelman

## Agenda:

1. Introduction of Committee Members
  - a. Name, role, and reason/interest for serving
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a. 5/7/2025: M/S/P to approve the minutes
3. Election of Chair and Recorder
  - a. Chair (any member that served last year): Several members were nominated but the chair was not elected. Postpone the election to the next meeting.
  - b. Recorder: JPB members will rotate to take minutes in alphabetical order by last name.
4. Executive Committee Elections
  - The shared governance groups need more time to discuss their representatives to serve on the executive committee. Postpone the election to the next meeting.
  - a. Membership: JPB Chair, 1 faculty, 1 dean, 1 academic staff, 1 university staff, 1 student
  - b. Faculty rep:
  - c. Dean rep:
  - d. Academic Staff (NIAS) rep:
  - e. University Staff rep:
  - f. Student rep:
5. Discuss Meeting Dates for 2025-26 Academic Year: Based on BOR meetings, the following dates would work:
  - JPB members decided the next meeting date on September 24. Other meeting dates will be discussed in the next meeting.
  - a. Fall: 9/10, 9/24, 10/1, 10/15, 10/22, 11/5, 11/19, 12/10
  - b. Spring: 2/11, 2/25, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6  
(3/4-6: BOR, 3/11: Research in Rotunda, and 3/18: Spring Break)
6. Charge and Remarks by Chancellor Beeby

- Postpone to the next meeting due to Chancellor Beeby's excused absence
  - a. JPB Committee's role and responsibilities. Familiarize new members with the work of JPB
  - b. Special charge this year
7. Chancellor's update
- a. Stacy Twite, Chief of Staff and Co-Chair of Strategic Plan Executive Committee, provided the following updates on the Chancellor's behalf:
    - Status of strategies plan, draft strategic plan pillars, and goals
    - The Strategic Plan Feedback Survey is now open to complete.
    - The Wisconsin biennial budget for 2025-2027 was passed in July 2025, and the Chief of Staff role as the legislative liaison
8. Provost's update
- a. Corey Sjoquist, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Admissions & Recruitment, provided the following enrollment updates after the 5th day of the semester:
    - Another strong year for the university
    - First-year student enrollment: 110 students over the targeted number
    - Transfer students: 37 students down by design due to the increase of first-year students
    - International students: up slightly
    - Overall enrollment at UWL: 10,614 students are enrolled, close to the record
    - Other UW institutions' enrollment status covered in the media
    - Already over 1000 applications for the class next year. Shows a strong enrollment
  - b. Provost's updates
    - UWL's accreditation with the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), site visit, and timeline
    - WI state legislation action and the subsequent outcomes of Act 15. Direct impact on UWL's general education program due to requirements for the structure and transferability of the program
9. CFO's update
- a. Wisconsin and UW budget: State budget was passed in July. A base funding increase for UW institutions. The State budget was passed to construct the second phase of the Prairie Springs Science Center
  - b. UW budget allocations. CFO explained the five sectors.
    - Base decrease
    - General operations
    - Help institutions with declining enrollment based on the most recent first-year enrollment. One-time fund
    - Help retain and recruit faculty and staff in "high-demand fields of study
    - Virtual mental health services
  - c. Compensation plan
    - Bring UWL's minimum hourly wage from \$16 to \$18
    - Aiming for 80% parity with the salaries reported by the College and University Professional Association (CUPA) by 2026, and 85% parity with CUPA the next year

- d. Prairie Springs Science Center: Wisconsin State Building Commission reviews in October. The project is set to begin in spring 2026 and be completed in fall 2028.

10. Adjournment: 2:28 pm