

**University Staff Council (USC)**  
Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
2:00-3:00pm  
UW-La Crosse, Graff Main Hall Room 325

- Call to Order – 2:00 p.m.
- Roll Call
  - Attendees: Jeremiah Collins, Mary Grattan, Bill Grinde, Brandon Harris, Ingrid Iverson, Susanne Koehler, John Pieper, Tracey Simpson, Terry Stika, Kathy Thoen, Jeanne Voss
  - Absent: Ben Kolpitcke, Michael Stellick
  - Guests: Joy Gutknecht, Beth Hill, Madeline Holzem, Angela House, Tom Kingery, Josh Kraft, Megan Stauffacher, Mandy Wagner
- Approval of Minutes
  - November M/S/A with changes made: adding Susanne as attending and correcting Herberger's under Get Engaged. Terry/Ingrid
- Treasurer's Report
  - November Balances

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| SFO | \$1,199.35                        |         |  |
|     | Deposit of Herberger's Fundraiser | \$100   |  |
| 102 | \$24,898.49                       |         |  |
| 136 | \$5,140.70                        |         |  |
|     | Candy for Table at Benefits Fair  | \$18.93 |  |

  - M/S/A as read. Brandon/Terry
- Committee Reports
  - Committee On Committees
    - No report.
  - Bylaws
    - Second read of changes proposed at September meeting and first read at November meeting.
      - Public relations being given to the Programs, Grants, and Fundraising committee in coordination with the Chair in order for things to be published on the website and circulated to campus. M/S/P Tracey/Susanne.  
**Added and now reads:** This committee will also be responsible for public relations in coordination with the Chair.
      - Attending monthly UW Shared Governance Meetings added to Vice Chair responsibilities. M/S/P Terry/Ingrid.  
**Added and now reads:** Serve as representative to UW-System as required to represent UWL USC for issues related to shared governance.
      - Remove "subsequent" from terms served. M/S/P Brandon/Jeremiah.  
**Removed and now reads:** ~~Subsequent~~ Terms of service on a standing committee will be on a 3-year rotating schedule.
- Program/Fundraising
  - Looking for volunteers to tear down for rotary lights. See GET ENGAGED below. Mary will email a reminder.
- University Staff Excellence Award

Susanne reported that the committee has met and discussed usage of the digital signs to announce the winner in the future and the details of spending the award. The committee would like to send letters to departments in an attempt to get more nominees.

M/S/P to allow the committee to spend up to \$25 to purchase supplies (paper and plain envelopes) in order for the letters to be sent out. Ingrid/Terry

- UW System Shared Governance Updates  
No report.

- Joint Committee Representation Reports

Academic Initiatives Oversight

Mark Beckerjack sent the report to Mary to be read. The committee met December 6 and approved the budget allocations for the requesting entities. The total amount allocated for fiscal year 2018 was \$1,378,109, which is the same amount of money available last year. Chancellor Gow has approved the budget and letters notifying the entities were sent out last Friday. The committee will meet in the spring semester as needed.

Environmental Sustainability

No report.

Joint Planning and Budget

Brandon reported that the strategic plan has been dispersed throughout campus. Inelda Delgado will be working on implementing the plan. The committee will meet again tomorrow to review historical budget allocations. There will be a Budget 101 session scheduled in the near future for those who would like to attend.

Legislative and Regents

No report.

Multicultural Affairs

No report.

Parking

No report.

Textbook

Angela reported that the committee is meeting in February.

- Old Business

- Update on Strategic Plan

Invest in Our People is the 4<sup>th</sup> initiative to the Strategic Plan. Mary is sitting on the committee and encourages anyone to let her know if they have any thoughts.

- New Business

- Resolution supporting increased funding for the UW System.

Reviewed and discussed the resolution. Development of the criteria for performance based funding was raised as a point of concern. The wording as is could be interpreted differently on each campus. It would be better if we created said wording/criteria rather than waiting on the legislature to do so. The last line addresses that issue by System creating the wording/criteria.

For more information on what is being proposed, you can go to:  
[www.wisconsin.edu/2020fwd](http://www.wisconsin.edu/2020fwd).

The other councils on campus are discussing this at their upcoming meetings. This item will be revisited next month once we hear how the other councils feel about the resolution.

- Mary will ask Ben to order a name plaque for Susanne.
- Everyone was encouraged to attend Chancellor Gow's open forum today at 3 p.m.
  
- **GET ENGAGED** - Upcoming Dates
  - Rotary Lights Tear Down - Contact Rachel Berry if you are willing to help out. (Need 5 people at each shift)  
January 2, 2017, 9-11AM, 11AM-1PM or 1-3PM
  
- Adjourn – 2:38 p.m.

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