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Campus Assembly Minutes
March 26, 2013

I. Chancellor Remarks

Chancellor Johnson gave the following remarks. "I apologize for the weather – there is a process we follow that begins very early in the morning and we try to make the best decision. I recognize that not everyone lives in Morris and not all of our students live on campus. This has been a horrible winter and there probably isn't a call that would make everyone happy. We try to make the right decisions; sometimes there is no one right decision.

President and Mrs. Kaler are coming to town next week for Jazz Fest – we have been working today to finalize the schedule for their visit. President Kaler will do an "open office hour" for students that will work on a first come, first serve basis, with ten minute slots for individuals or groups of no more than three. There will be an opportunity for the campus community to meet with President Kaler on Friday afternoon in the Science Auditorium. He will provide a few remarks and then open for questions. On Saturday morning there will be an opportunity for the Morris community to meet with President Kaler at 9:00 am in the Welcome Center. The schedule will be sent out tomorrow – please participate if you can.

The Green Prairie Living and Learning Community is on schedule and on budget. Several of us had a chance to tour the facility last week.

There has been a lot of online commentary today about salaries and a certain coach's salary. Everyone in this room should know that we did bring the faculty salary study to our annual budget meeting in March. I would like to thank Roger Wareham and Nancy Helsper for the work they did to update the salary study. Speaking of sports--congratulations to our women's swim team for being named as a Scholar All-American team by the College Swimming Coaches Association of America.

II. For Action. From the Steering Committee. Minutes from the January 31, 2013 Campus Assembly meeting were unanimously approved.

III. For Action. From the Membership Committee. Elections.

Zak Forde, chair of the Membership Committee, said solicitation messages were sent to Campus Assembly members asking them to nominate themselves or nominate others for the various vacancies. He is happy that we were able to fill all of the positions available. The election will be done in a standard runoff style; please number your preferences. All nominees will be given the opportunity to introduce themselves.

The following were elected to the Steering Committee:

Jennifer Zych Herrmann - Vice Chair
Jeff Ratliff-Crain, faculty
Hazen Fairbanks, student
Stacey Rosana, student

The following were elected to the Membership Committee:

Nancy Carpenter, faculty
Stacey Aronson, faculty
Roger Rose, faculty
Lori Kurpiers, P&A
Brenda Boever, USA
Ben Baglio, student
Molly Donovan, student

The following were elected to the Consultative Committee:

Janet Ericksen, faculty
LeAnn Dean, P&A

The following was elected as Parliamentarian:

Dave Swenson

IV. Old Business

Chancellor Johnson reported that the prioritization team has worked long and hard over the spring break. She received a lengthy report from Brook Miller on the findings and prioritizations and she expects to meet with Jon Anderson and Brook this week. Jon added that he sat in on the prioritization meetings and he believes the group was very careful and thinks they served the campus well in their work.

V. New Business

A. For Action. From the Curriculum Committee. The following curricular changes were unanimously approved.

Humanities Division

ENGL 2033 - The Bible and Literature (HUM, 4 cr) - *New course*
ENGL 3171 - The Literature of Creative Nonfiction (HUM, 4 cr) - *New course*
ENGL 3167 - Studies in Contemporary British and Anglophone Literature (IP, 4 cr) - *Revised course (change GER from HUM to IP)*
ENGL 3444 - Holocaust Literature and Film (IP, 4 cr) - *Revised course (change level from 2431)*
MUS 4110 - Seminar: Advanced Music Theory and Analysis (FA, 4 cr) - *New course*
TH 3450 - Irish Drama: Print, Culture, and Performance (IP, 4 cr) - *New course*

B. For Action. From the Dean's office. Vote on the 2017-2018 calendar proposal. The attached proposal 2 was unanimously approved (attached).

There was some concern expressed about Saturday not being labeled as a study day to avoid confusion on whether or not university sponsored events could be scheduled that day. It was determined a friendly amendment could not be done on the floor. Bart Finzel said there will be time to revise if necessary and he appreciates the concerns from the Scholastic Committee.

C. For action. From the Functions and Awards Committee. The Scholar of the College nominations were unanimously approved.

Engin Sungur, chair of the Functions and Awards Committee presented the following additional information on the 28 nominees:

Total number of journal publications: 19
Total number of conference presentation: 50
Total number of performances, recitals, and exhibits: 25
Total number of awards: 35
Total number of UMM URS presentations: 16
Total number of other acknowledgements: 27

D. For Action. From the Functions and Awards. Naming of the art gallery.

Chancellor Johnson gave the following remarks about the proposed naming opportunity. Before we move into the discussion and review the policy on naming parts of buildings, I'd like to provide some background and provide you with the proposed name. You are aware that I sent a message with some of this information yesterday and that that message didn't include a name – that wasn't a mistake; it was intentional. I didn't want to preempt the assembly's decision in this matter, and I wasn't comfortable with the name "out there" in cyber space before we were able to have a conversation about this matter.

Policy: Regents of the University of Minnesota have a policy for naming buildings. The University of Minnesota, Morris has a policy – as allowed by Regents policy – for naming parts of buildings. The motion that I will ask you to consider in just a moment is for the naming of a part of a building, so fits under the UMM policy. UMM's policy states: "Parts of U buildings may be named to honor one or more individuals. Living or deceased individuals associated with the University who retired or left the service of the university may be recognized on the basis of their philanthropic activities toward UMM. Deceased individuals may additionally be recognized for extraordinary achievements, contributions, or service to UMM. Separate names may be given to rooms, laboratories, lecture halls, or auditoriums within a building.

Procedures: recommendations should be initiated by a division or an administrative unit and submitted to the Functions and Awards Committee. Recommendations sent to and approved by the Functions and Awards Committee will be submitted to the chancellor and finally, to the campus assembly for approval. Also required are supporting letters and dossier which describe the request and the qualifications of the person whose name would be associated with the part of the building.

At its previous meeting, campus assembly approved a change in the 2003 policy statement that requires a positive two thirds majority of all votes cast when a quorum is present to approve the nomination.

In December, the Functions and Awards Committee received a recommendation from the Office of External Relations on the re-naming of the HFA Gallery for long-time University of Minnesota, Morris supporters, Edward J. and Helen Jane Morrison. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison were among the community leaders here who, in the 1950's envisioned a public liberal arts college on the prairie. For the past fifty plus years, they have supported the University of Minnesota, Morris through their vision, their lobbying efforts, their support of the arts – including their support for the first performing arts series here, gifts to the RFC and to green energy efforts and through their generous gifts to scholarships – their contributions through endowed scholarships have supported more than 100 UMM students. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison have been members of UMM's presidents club since 1982 and are past recipients of the University's Distinguished Serves Award. In addition they have once again come forward with an interest in upgrading our HFA art gallery and adding substantially to the funding available to acquire gallery exhibits. This gift is very generous. As I said, their philanthropy is not new.

The recommendation to the Functions and Awards Committee from External Relations includes these details in asking that the HFA Art Gallery be named for them: it would be named the Edward J. and Helen Jane Morrison Gallery. In considering this recommendation, the committee received letters of support from Humanities Division Chair Pieranna Garavaso and Vice Chancellor for External Relations Madeline Maxeiner. The committee also interviewed Michael Eble and Maddy before making its positive recommendation to me. The committee's recommendation is to name the gallery for these two individuals.

Process: I call on Engin Sungur to make the formal recommendation here since the process calls for me to receive the recommendation and bring it to campus assembly –but as chair of assembly I can't really move this forward myself. I will invite discussion after the formal recommendation.”

Engin Sungur said the Functions and Awards Committee unanimously approves the naming of the art gallery as stated by Chancellor Johnson.

The naming of the gallery to Edward J. and Helen Jane Morrison Gallery was unanimously approved.

E. Other new business. None

VI. Campus Committee Reports:

Planning Committee

Margaret Kuchenruether said the committee has been discussing the six year capital plan proposal. A proposal for the renovation of Briggs Library has now been deferred until 2018. Because the funding source for projects like this is 2/3 bonding and 1/3 campus resources, we need to look at alternative ways to approach funding. There is a proposal to called *Rethinking the Capital Investment Programs for the Morris Campus* that has been submitted to the Office of University Operations in the Twin Cities.

The committee was also charged with rethinking our current comparison group which is widely known as the Morris 14. We are looking at a slate of 23 comparative schools – some of which will be chosen as aspirational schools. We are looking at a set of schools to make sure that we can really compare ourselves to them. Comparison examples include first year retention rates; six year retention rates; ACT scores; average net price; expenditure per FTE; degrees awarded, full-time undergraduate vs part-time; percent of student body that can be classified as under-represented minorities; PELL grant recipients; size of class; emphasis of research, etc. The committee hopes to have a recommendation by the end of the academic year. Margaret thanked Nancy Helsper for her work on this project.

Scholastic Committee

Jennifer Goodnough presented the following information about Prior Learning (PL)

- 1) What is PL?
 - a. National Recognized Exams (UMM= exams Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate® (IB), College-Level Examination Program® (CLEP))
 - b. Credit by Exam (UMM=Special Exam for Credit)
 - c. ACE Recommendations (UMM= military experience)
 - d. Credit by Portfolio Review (UMM portfolio review & IS 3893, IS 3896)
 - e. Transfer credit from other colleges and universities
- 2) Why do we care?
 - a. Fall 2012 class: 20% had 25+credits and 68% had some credit
 - b. Students with PL more likely to graduate
 - c. Study by ACT
- 3) IS 3893, IS 3896 – UMM credit for PL Directed Study or Internship
 - a. Mainly non-traditional students
 - b. SC → Dean's Office
- 4) AP
 - a. MN: 35,000+ students took ~57,000 exams. 64% earn 3+
 - b. MN – indicate we're in line with other UM campuses
 - c. Disciplines encouraged to alert SC if there are concerns about AP →UMM Courses/Credit in their areas
- 5) IB
 - a. UMM -- few actually receive a significant number of credits
 - b. Increased state funding = likely to see more in future
- 6) CLEP
 - a. Very few
 - b. Possibly more in the future from home schooled students
 - c. Disciplines encouraged to alert SC if there are concerns about CLEP →UMM Courses/Credit in their areas
- 7) Special Exams for Credit/Proficiency
 - a. Fee for credit, no fee for proficiency
 - b. Disciplines not required to offer
- 8) FL proficiency/placement

Membership Committee

Zak Forde asked reminded assembly members to submit their committee preference form if they have not already done so.

Faculty and P&A Affairs Committee

Roger Wareham said the committee has been working on the faculty salary report. They also plan to hold an open forum in the spring on Tuesday, April 9 from 4:30-6:00 pm in Science 1030 to hear/address concerns.

Multi-Ethnic Experience Committee

Hilda Ladner said the committee is thinking about different development opportunities about diversity and social justice. A workshop specifically for faculty and instructors will be held on Tuesday, April 8.

VII. All University reports.

Kristin Lamberty said the Senate Council on Information Technologies has been reviewing charts about how much money we spend on technology. Let her know if you have thoughts/opinions on how valuable it is for you to participate via interactive television.

Jess Larson said the Academic Freedom and Tenure Committee has been talking about procedures for when a program closes and what the rights and options are for tenure track faculty.

VIII. Announcements:

Jeff Ratliff-Crain said the URS accepted 60 student presentations that cover 24 different academic disciplines. The event begins at 9:30 am on Saturday, April 20.

Michael Eble said the senior art exhibit opens on April 18 and runs through May 11.

Chancellor Johnson thanked those who allowed their name to be considered for committee service and Zak Forde and the Membership Committee for handling the elections.

Adjourned.

Proposal 2

2017-2018 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA - MORRIS CALENDAR

Fall Semester 2017 (73 class days)

August 14	Monday	Faculty Return
August 20-22	Sun.-Tues.	New Student Orientation
August 23	Wednesday	Classes begin
September 4	Monday	Labor Day holiday
October 13	Friday	1 st half sem. Classes end
October 16-17	Mon.-Tues.	Fall Break (no classes)
October 18	Wednesday	2 nd half sem. Classes begin
November 23-24	Thurs.-Fri.	Thanksgiving Holiday and floating holiday
December 8	Friday	Last day of instruction
December 11	Monday	Study day
December 12-15	Tues.-Fri.	Final examinations
December 25-26	Mon.-Tues.	Christmas Holiday and floating holiday
January 1-2	Mon.-Tues.	New Year's Holiday and floating holiday

Spring Semester 2018 (74 class days)

January 15	Monday	MLK Holiday
January 16	Tuesday	Classes begin
March 9	Friday	1 st half sem. Classes end
March 12-16	Mon-Fri.	Spring Break
March 16	Friday	Floating Holiday
March 19	Monday	2 nd half sem. Classes begin
May 4	Friday	Last day of instruction
May 7	Monday	Study day
May 8-11	Tues.-Fri.	Final examinations
May 12	Saturday	Commencement

May Session 2018 (14 class days)

May 14	Monday	May session begins
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day holiday
June 1	Friday	May session ends

Summer Session 2018

May 21-June 22		Summer Session I (24 class days)
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day holiday
June 25-July 27		Summer Session II (24 class days)
July 4, 2018	Wednesday	Independence Day holiday

2017-2018 Holidays (Total: 11)--proposed

July 4, 2017	Tuesday	Independence Day Holiday
September 4	Monday	Labor Day Holiday
November 23	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day Holiday
November 24	Friday	Floating holiday
December 25	Monday	Christmas Holiday
December 26	Tuesday	Floating holiday
January 1, 2018	Monday	New Year's Day Holiday
January 2	Tuesday	Floating holiday
January 15	Monday	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
March 16	Friday	Floating holiday
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day Holiday