

## MINUTES

EDUCATION COMMITTEE, BOARD OF REGENTS  
325/326 Pyle Center, UW-Extension  
Madison, Wisconsin  
April 6, 2000

The April 6, 2000 meeting of the Education Committee was called to order by Regent JoAnne Brandes at 2:20 p.m. Present were Regents Benson, Boyle, Mohs, Randall and Smith.

1. Approval of the minutes of the March 9, 2000 meeting of the Education Committee.

It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Boyle, that the minutes of the March 9, 2000 meeting of the Education Committee be approved.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

2. Report of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs David J. Ward introduced Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, Tess Arenas, who presented the 1999 Minority and Disadvantaged Student Annual Report. As required by statute, Dr. Arenas reported on precollege programs for, and recruitment and retention of, students of color and economically disadvantaged students. She noted that, although trends are positive, much more needs to be done in each of these areas. Responding to Regent Boyle, Dr. Arenas stated that graduation rates generally are increasing. Regent Randall commended those campuses that have improved minority recruitment, but stated that he is disheartened at the decrease in recruitment and retention of minority graduate students. He expressed concern that legislators and others might be less inclined to support UW efforts if they do not see improvement in the recruitment and retention of students of color. Responding to Regent Mohs, Dr. Arenas emphasized that the Minority and Disadvantaged Student Report is not a report on Plan 2008. A goal-by-goal report on Plan 2008 progress will come before the board at its September 2000 meeting. Regent Benson urged cooperation between the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and the UW System to determine where high school minority and disadvantaged students attend college and in seeking to improve the applicant pool.

- I.1.b.(1) It was moved by Regent Smith, seconded by Regent Randall, that the 1999 Minority and Disadvantaged Student Annual Report be accepted for submission to the governor and to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature, pursuant to s. 36.25(14m)(c), Wisc. Stats., for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172(3) Wisc. Stats.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

3. Report on Orientation Programs and Information Provided Students on Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment.

- I.1.c. It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Benson, that the board accepts the report on orientation programs and information provided to students on sexual assault and sexual harassment, and directs that the report be submitted to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature for distribution to the appropriate standing committees.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

4. Request to Trustees of the William F. Vilas Trust Estate.

- I.1.d. It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Boyle, that the Board of Regents approve the request to the Trustees of the William F. Vilas Trust Estate for \$5,728,825 for fiscal year July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001, subject to availability, as provided by the terms of the William F. Vilas Trust, for Support of Scholarships, Fellowships, Professorships, and Special Programs in Arts and Humanities, Social Sciences, Biological Sciences, Physical Sciences and Music

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

5. Authorizations to Recruit.

The committee approved the following authorizations to recruit:

- I.1.e.(1) It was moved by Regent Benson, seconded by Regent Smith, that the President of the University of Wisconsin System be authorized to recruit for a Chancellor, UW-Madison, at a salary that exceeds the Executive Salary Group Six maximum.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

- I.1.e.(2) It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Boyle, that the Chancellor of the UW-Madison be authorized to recruit for an associate or full professor of sociology, at a salary that may exceed the Executive Salary Group Six maximum.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

6. New Program Authorizations.

- I.1.f.(1) It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Benson, that the Chancellor of UW-Madison be authorized to implement the M.A. in Russian, East European and Central Asian Studies.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

- I.1.f.(2) It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Boyle, that the Chancellor of UW-La Crosse be authorized to implement the B.S. in Athletic Training.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

- I.1.f.(3) It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Boyle, that the Chancellor of UW-Whitewater be authorized to implement the B.S.E. in Early Childhood Education.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

The committee heard initial presentations of five programs:

- (1) B.S., Computer Science, UW-Superior.
- (2) B.A./B.S., Liberal Studies, UW-Whitewater.
- (3) B.S., Sport and Fitness Management, UW-Parkside. Regent Randall expressed support for the program because it has personnel in place, solid base of potential students and good opportunities for those students upon graduation.
- (4) M.A., French Studies, UW-Madison. Responding to Regent Boyle, Professor Gilles Bousquet noted that the program differs from the program in Russian, East European and East Asian Studies in that its core is in the French Department with concentrations in business and social science.
- (5) Masters of Management, UW-River Falls. In response to Regent Boyle, it was noted that resources are adequate to support the program.

## 7. Additional items.

There were no additional items to come before the committee.

## 8. Closed session to consider personnel matters, as permitted by s.19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats.

It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Boyle, that the committee adjourn to closed session to consider personnel matters, as permitted by s.19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats.

The resolution PASSED by a roll call vote, with Regents Benson, Brandes, Boyle, Randall and Smith voting "yes" and no regents voting "no."

### In closed session:

- I.1.h.(1) It was moved by Regent Benson, seconded by Regent Boyle, that Chancellor David Ward be appointed Charles Kendall Adams Professor, UW-Madison, effective January 1, 2001.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

I.1.h.(2) It was moved by Regent Randall, seconded by Regent Boyle, that the Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison be authorized to appoint a specified individual at a salary that exceeds the Executive Salary Group Six maximum.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

Resolutions I.1.b.(1), I.1.c., I.1.d., I.1.e.(1) and (2), I.1.f.(1)-(3), and I.1.h.(1), were referred to the full session of the board at its Friday, April 7, 2000 meeting.

Resolution I.1.h.(2) was referred to the closed session of the board, immediately following its Friday, April 7, 2000 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.