

## MINUTES

### EDUCATION COMMITTEE, BOARD OF REGENTS

1820 Van Hise Hall

Madison, Wisconsin

April 5, 2001

The April 5, 2001 meeting of the Education Committee was called to order by Regent JoAnne Brandes at 2:15 p.m. Regents Axtell, Benson, Mohs, Olivieri, Randall and Smith were present. Regent Barry was present for the PK-16 presentation.

1. Approval of the minutes of the March 8, 2001 meeting of the Education Committee.

It was moved by Regent Axtell, seconded by Regent Smith, that the minutes of the March 8, 2001 meeting of the Education Committee be approved.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

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

(a) Presentation: *Milwaukee Partnership Academy*

Interim Senior Vice President Albert Beaver introduced a presentation on the Milwaukee Partnership Academy, an urban PK-16 council with three primary goals: (1) improve teacher quality; (2) increase student achievement at all educational levels; and (3) address systematic issues across educational institutions. UW-Milwaukee Chancellor Nancy Zimpher introduced the following panelists: Regent Gerard Randall, Executive Director, Private Industry Council; Robert Nelson, Director of Technology, Milwaukee Public Schools; Mary Staten, Special Assistant, Teachers-in-Residence, UW-Milwaukee; and Sam Carmen, Executive Director, Milwaukee Teachers Education Association. Mr. Nelson noted that the use of digital technology is blurring the boundaries between the Milwaukee Public Schools and higher education. Regent Randall stressed that each partner in the Academy brings its own collection of partners to the Academy's activities. Ms. Staten described two major initiatives resulting from the partnership: (1) alternative certification and (2) retention of experienced teachers.

Responding to Regent Brandes, Chancellor Zimpher urged the Board of Regents to encourage creation of local PK-16 councils throughout the state and assist them in finding resources. In response to Regent Benson, Ms. Staten said that individuals with alternative certification are qualified to teach anywhere in the state. Regent Benson noted that this certification process results from the fact that the Department of Public Instruction has agreements with school districts throughout Wisconsin. Chancellor Zimpher noted, in response to Regent Benson, that the Academy is working with the Association of Commerce to develop benchmarks for measuring improvement in student learning. Regent Axtell urged the UW System to encourage local PK-16 councils and asked about sources of leadership.

Responding to Regent Olivieri, President Lyall said that state and regional PK-16 councils are mutually reinforcing, not duplicative. Regent Benson stressed the importance of recognizing that much collaboration between UW campuses and local school districts is already occurring. Responding to

Regent Mohs, Regent Randall stressed the Academy's concern with outcomes. Chancellor Zimpher said that UW-Milwaukee's accountability extends beyond the campus to the support of new teachers. Mr. Nelson said that, with the help of UW-Milwaukee, the Milwaukee Public Schools have implemented an integrated management system.

Regent Barry asked if City of Milwaukee agencies should not be at the table, e.g., health and human services. Sam Carmen replied that human services are involved in community learning centers. Responding to Regent Smith, Chancellor Zimpher said the Chancellor's working group will provide specific proposals for board involvement in PK-16 initiatives at the May Board meeting. They will be presented for final action in June.

(b) AODA Presentation

Interim Senior V.P. Beaver introduced a presentation on UW System Alcohol and Drug Abuse policies. Panelists included Chancellor Donald Mash, UW-Eau Claire, Nora McGuire, Chief Student Affairs Officer, UW Colleges; George Smeaton, Professor of Psychology, UW-Stout; Bill Keeton, Academic Affairs Director, United Council; Allen Ebel, AODA Coordinator, UW-Stout; and Bob Shaw, Associate Dean of Students, UW-Eau Claire. Chancellor Mash said the AODA Council is focusing on five major areas: UW System/K-12 collaboration; research and curriculum development; legislation and policy; assessment; and awareness and promotion. This presentation was devoted to research and policy. Professor Smeaton discussed the effects of binge drinking on UW campuses. Ms. McGuire discussed proposed revisions to the UW System policy on the use of alcohol on system campuses.

Regent Brandes emphasized that this is a major issue affecting the student experience and the quality of education. Regent Olivieri encouraged making the policy language stronger and more directive in order to hold campuses more accountable in this area. Mr. Shaw and Mr. Keeton stressed the strong history of student involvement in policy development in this area and predicted that directives would have a negative affect on that cooperation. Regent Olivieri replied that he wants to direct the chancellors to take action, not the students.

Chancellor David Markee, UW-Platteville, noted that campuses vary in their student populations and thus must address the problem in different ways. Chancellor Jack Keating, UW-Parkside, observed that this is a complex issue requiring research and noted that funding for such research is not readily available. Chancellor Charles Sorenson, UW-Stout, agreed that the issues are complex and stressed the need to involve the community in seeking solutions. Chancellor John Wiley, UW-Madison, emphasized the importance of keeping the focus on the consequences, not the drinking itself. Regent Mohs said he was heartened by the realistic approach of the speakers and concurred with the need for a campus-by-campus approach.

Regent Smith thanked the committee for its good work and indicated a desire to hear more from chancellors on this issue. The committee deferred action on proposed revisions to System policy until the May meeting.

At this time Regent Brandes left the meeting due to another obligation, and Regent Randall assumed the chair.

(b) Update on Collaborative Activities: UW-Madison, UW-Milwaukee

Chancellors John Wiley, UW-Madison and Nancy Zimpher, UW-Milwaukee, reported on a meeting of twenty academic leaders from the Madison and Milwaukee campuses, convened on March 16, 2001, to explore how the two campuses might collaborate in the programmatic areas of allied health, education and international education. Conversations in each of the three areas will continue through the spring and lead to strategic plans for near and long-term products, projects, outcomes and actions. It is expected that strategic goals will be established by June 1, 2001.

3. Report on orientation programs and information provided to students on sexual assault and sexual harassment.

- I.1.c. It was moved by Regent Benson, seconded by Axtell, that upon recommendation of the President of the University of Wisconsin System and pursuant to 1989 Wisconsin Act 177, s.36.11(22)(b), Wis. Stats., the board hereby accepts the report on implementation of the Act (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 under s.13.172(3).

Regent Olivieri requested information on the impact of the activities cited in this report. Interim Senior Vice President Beaver said he would convene a group of Chief Student Affairs Officers and other interested parties charged to determine how to assess the impact of what campuses are doing.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

4. 1999-00 Minority and Disadvantaged Student Annual Report.

Tess Arenas, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, reviewed the 1999-00 Minority and Disadvantaged Student Annual Report.

- I.1.d. It was moved by Regent Axtell, seconded by Regent Mohs, that upon recommendation of the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the Board of Regents accepts the 1999-00 Minority and Disadvantaged Student Annual Report 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.

Regent Mohs noted that a chart indicating graduation patterns by high school rank and ethnicity will be part of the Plan 2008 report in September. Responding to Regent Randall, Dr. Arenas said it is not known how many student athletes use retention support services funded by GPR non-scholarship dollars.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

6. Approval of request to Trustees of the William F. Vilas Trust Estate

I.1.f. It was moved by Regent Axtell, seconded by Smith, that upon recommendation of the Chancellors of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the Board of Regents approve the request to the Trustees of the William F. Vilas Trust Estate for \$4,388,960 for fiscal year July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002, 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.

7. Authorization to Recruit

I.1.f. It was moved by Regent Smith, seconded by Regent Axtell, that upon recommendation of the Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the Chancellor be authorized to recruit for a Provost and Vice Chancellor, at a salary within the Regent Salary Range

8. Academic Program Planning and Review

The report on academic program planning and review was deferred until the committee's May meeting.

9. Revisions to Faculty Policies and Procedures.

I.1.h.(1) It was moved by Regent Benson, seconded by Regent Axtell, that revisions to the UW-Oshkosh Faculty Personnel Rules be approved.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

10. Additional items.

There were no additional items to come before the committee.

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

It was moved by Regent Axtell, seconded by Regent Smith, 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 Axtell, Benson, Randall and Smith voting "yes," and no regents voting "no."

In closed session:

I.1.j.(1) It was moved by Regent Mohs, seconded by Regent Axtell, that the following named professorships be approved at UW-Madison, effective January 1, 2001:

Ramon J. Aldag	Glen A. Skillrud Family Chair in Business;
Barry Gerhart	The John & Barbara Keller Distinguished Chair in Business;
Ann S. Miner	Ford Motor Company Distinguished Chair in Management and Human Resources

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

I.1.j.(2) It was moved by Regent Benson, seconded by Regent Axtell, that the leave of absence for a faculty member, UW-Milwaukee, be extended through the 2001-02 academic year.

The resolution PASSED unanimously.

Resolutions I.1.c, I.1.d., I.1.e., I.1.f.(1), I.1.h.(1) and I.1.j.(1) were referred to the full session of the board at its Friday, April 6, 2001 meeting.

Resolution I.1.j.(2) was referred to closed session of the board following its Friday, April 6, 2001 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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