

**UW System Board of Regents
Education Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday February 10, 2022**

Proceedings of the Education Committee Meeting. The Education Committee convened in person from 10:30 a.m. until 11:58 a.m. Committee members in attendance were: Regents Bogost, Grebe, Underly, Tucker, Saffold, and Peterson. Regents Colón and Pasch appeared via WebEx. No Regent declared a conflict of interest regarding any of the items listed on the meeting agenda.

Agenda Item C. Proposed Consent Agenda: Given the large number of agenda items to be covered during the meeting, the Chair requested a motion to move the following routine, non-controversial items to a consent agenda. Note: Items on a consent agenda may be acted upon by the committee in a single vote. Any Board Member may remove items from a consent agenda for separate discussion and consideration. The meeting minutes must reflect the motion and vote on each item.

The meeting agenda reflected the following 11 items on the consent agenda:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the December 9, 2021 Meeting of the Education Committee
2. UW-Madison: Approval of Master of Science in School Psychology
3. UW-Madison: Approval of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in School Psychology
4. UW-Madison: Approval of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Information Science
5. UW-Milwaukee: Approval of Bachelor of Science in Data Analytics
6. UW-Milwaukee: Approval of Master of Science in Data Science
7. UW Oshkosh: Approval of Bachelor of Professional Studies in Leadership and Organizational Development
8. UW Oshkosh: Approval of Executive Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)
9. UW-Whitewater: Approval of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Professional Writing and Publishing
10. UW-Whitewater: Approval of Master of Science in Applied Kinesiology
11. UW-Whitewater: Approval of Master of Science in Education in Early Childhood Education Policy

All items remained on the consent agenda. A motion to approve item was made by Regent Grebe and seconded by Regent Peterson. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item D. Approval of UW-Milwaukee Proposal to Realign Academic Units. UW-Milwaukee Chancellor Mark Mone along with Provost and Vice Chancellor Johannes Britz provided an overview of the goals and benefits of the proposed realignment. Regent Bogost asked about the impact of realignment on student services. Provost Britz explained many student services are already stretched thin, but the realignment would allow for some efficiencies.

A motion to approve was made by Regent Peterson and seconded by Regent Grebe.

Regent Peterson then asked why realignment had not occurred earlier. Chancellor Mone explained the complexity of the process and the involvement of named colleges and to provide information to new school applicants. Regent Grebe asked if there were staff or faculty concerns. Provost Britz stated there had been more than 100 meetings to explain the process and potential impact.

The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item E. UW-Stevens Point and Northcentral Technical College:

- 1. Approval of a New Liberal Arts Transfer Program for the Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts**
- 2. Approval of a New Liberal Arts Transfer Program for the Associate of Science in Liberal Arts**

Chancellor Thomas Gibson from UW-Stevens Point and President Jeannie Worden from Northcentral Technical College described the programs and transfer agreement.

A motion to approve item was made by Regent Saffold and seconded by Regent Grebe. The motion passed unanimously.

Regents Pasch and Underly expressed support for the motion and the collaboration it involved. Regent Peterson asked how it came together, particularly with new leaders involved. Chancellor Gibson stated it had been a priority, and was part of his introduction to WTCS leaders to ask about ways to partner and support.

Agenda Item F. Approval of Changes to Regent Policy Document 4-10 "Class Audit Policy"

Dr. Carleen Vande Zande, UW System Associate Vice President for Academic Programs & Faculty Advancement explained the changes to simplify and clarify language and meet the standards for a Regent Policy Document.

A motion to approve item was made by Regent Peterson and seconded by Regent Tucker. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item G. Report on Application Fee & Application Fee Waiving, per Regent Policy Document 32-8, "Application Fees and Waivers."

Dr. John Achter, UW System Interim Associate Vice President for Student Success and Student Behavioral Health Coordinator explained that the report was required by an earlier Regent resolution.

Agenda Item H. Approval of Extended Reduction of Undergraduate Application Fee

A motion to approve was made by Regent Peterson and seconded by Regent Grebe.

Regent Grebe asked about the impact of the waiver on the campuses that were exempted from the fee waiver. Dr. Achter referred the question to campuses. Leadership from UW-Eau Claire, UW-Lacrosse, and UW-Madison affirmed the resolution has not had negative effects on their campuses.

The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item I. UW-Madison Host presentation: Student Academic Success—A Team Effort

UW-Madison Provost Karl Scholz delivered the host presentation, along with Dr. Wren Singer Associate Vice Provost, advising and career services and UW-Madison students Dora Aranda and Ashley Yang.

In response, Regent Peterson acknowledged the positive trend in reduced stigma for students seeking advising services, and Vice President Anny Morrobel-Sosa noted the student presenters were studying chemistry, and the importance of encouraging more female students in those fields.

Agenda Item J. UW System STEM Transfer Initiative with Wisconsin Technical College System

Dr. Vande Zande presented the initiative with Dr. Janet Bradshaw, UW-Madison Associate Professor of Kinesiology and the Director of the Wisconsin Institute for Science Education and Community. Regent Bogost asked about the status. Dr. Bradshaw explained that faculty intend to determine specific courses for transfer “packages” by summer, and Dr. Vande Zande explained the context for the initiative related to the Universal Credit Transfer Agreement.

**Agenda Item K. Report of the Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs:
EAB Navigate/Academic Planner Pilot Program Update**

Vice President Morrobel-Sosa asked Dr. Achter to provide the update. Regent Saffold asked about how it related to K-12 advising especially in the STEM fields. Dr. Achter provided an example of how Madison College has worked with high schools, and Regent Underly stated the Department of Public Instruction has designated February as technical education month and has focused on K-12 pathways. Dr. Vande Zande added that part of the pilot is to use similar pathway language in advising to create links for students.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.