UW System Board of Regents Education Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday June 9, 2022

Proceedings of the Education Committee Meeting. The Education Committee convened in person from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Committee members in attendance were: Regents Bogost, Colón, and Underly. Recently appointed Regents Adams and Stanton attended the meeting as non-voting participants. 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 eight items on the consent agenda:

- 1. Approval of the April 7, 2022, Meeting Minutes of the Education Committee
- 2. Approval of the Annual Request for Funding from the Vilas Trust Fund for UW-Madison and UW-Milwaukee
- 3. UW-Eau Claire: Approval of a Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Communication
- 4. UW-Green Bay: Approval of a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Anthropology
- 5. UW-Platteville: Approval of a Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering
- 6. UW-River Falls: Approval of a Bachelor of Science in Finance
- 7. UW-River Falls: Approval of a Bachelor of Science in Management
- 8. UW-River Falls: Approval of a Bachelor of Science in Marketing
- 9. UW-Whitewater: Approval of a Bachelor of Science in Health and Leadership Studies
- 10. Southwest Technical College: Approval of a Liberal Arts Transfer Program for the Associate of Arts and Associate of Science
- 11. UW-Milwaukee: Approval of the Renaming of the College of Business

All items remained on the consent agenda. Regent Underly asked why one of the liberal arts transfer programs was on the consent agenda and the other was not. Interim Vice President Britz explained that chancellors had requested to present on the unique partnership created by the Chippewa Valley Technical College program. A motion to approve item was made by Regent Colón and seconded by Regent Underly. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item D. Chippewa Valley Technical College: Approval of a Liberal Arts Transfer Program for the Associate of Arts

UW-Eau Claire Chancellor James, Schmidt, UW-River Falls Chancellor Maria Gallo, UW-Stout Chancellor Katherine Frank, and Chippewa Valley Technical College President Sunem Beaton-Garcia faculty to present the resolution, emphasizing the collaboration and focus on student success among the institutions. A motion to approve item was made by Regent Underly and seconded by Regent Colón. The motion passed unanimously. Regent Bogost acknowledged that the UW System has now approved a transfer program with each WTCS institution.

Agenda Item E. Approval of the 2022 Report on Faculty Promotions, Tenure Designations, and Other Changes of Status

Regent Bogost introduced the report, and congratulated that more than 350 faculty members recommended for tenure. A motion to approve item was made by Regent Underly and seconded by Regent Colón. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item F. Host Presentation by UW-Milwaukee: Expanding UWM's Impact—Student Centric Framework Update

UW-Milwaukee Interim Provost Scott Gronert introduced the presentation, which was delivered by UW-Milwaukee Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management, Kay Eilers. In response to the presentation, Regent Bogost asked how students identified for retention grants. Vice Chancellor Eilers response explained that advisors work the university to identify students who may be close to degree completion but have a financial hold, and that the Dean of Students also provides emergency grants for students. Regent Colón asked about pro-active interventions. Ms. Eilers described the data the university can see, and how student-facing staff are trained to look for students who may benefit from additional services.

Agenda Item G. Identified Gaps and Sustainable Strategies to Meet Students' Basic Needs: A Panel Discussion with Senior Student Affairs Officers and Students

Erin Grisham, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, UW Oshkosh, Kelly Haag, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, UW-Milwaukee, Jamie Zamjahn, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Excellence and Student Success, UW-River Falls, and Joy Evans, Student, UW-Milwaukee, delivered a presentation that shared how students are facing basic needs insecurities at a national, state, and local level and some of the strategies our campuses are using to meet these needs.

In response to the presentation, Regent Bogost asked about student access to food pantries. Ms. Evans stated there was no pantry available when she was a student at UW-Oshkosh, and she had to rely on convenience stores for quick food. Regent Adams then asked about additional research on student financial needs, and if money could be added directly to student meal plans. Regent Underly asked if meal plans were required, and if it would be possible to subsidize costs or educate students on meal options and other ways to seek help through resident advisors and other parts of student orientation. Vice Chancellor Haag responded that it is the top priority for those in residence life. Regent Colón then asked about the percentages of students in the Milwaukee area with financial insecurity. Ms. Haag stated the estimate of 40%, though it is often inexact as a self-reported number. She also offered to follow up with more detailed information.

Agenda Item H. Teach-Lead Wisconsin Update. Dr. Barbara Bales, UW System Director of PK-20 Strategic Initiatives and Educational Innovation, and in-person is Dr. Marcie Wycoff-Horn, Dean of the School of Education at UW-La Crosse delivered a virtual presentation summarizing the final report and recommendations from the Teach-Lead Wisconsin Initiative. The initiative was based on former Vice President Anny Morrobel-Sosa's charge to the School of Education Deans to advance research-based, equity-focused strategies to recruit, diversify, and support Wisconsin teachers and education leaders.

Agenda Item I. Report of the Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs: Academic and Student Affairs End-of-Year Review

Johannes Britz, the recently appointed Interim Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs will provide an end-of-year review on the work conducted by the Office of Academic and Student Affairs and highlighted priorities for the upcoming year.

Regent Bogost thanked all presenters and recognized the work of departing Associate Vice President for Academic Programs & Faculty Advancement, Dr. Carleen Vande Zande. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.