**Academic Staff Council Meeting** **Minutes**

May 13, 2024

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

325 Graff Main Hall

Members Present: P. Bearhart, C. Stindt, W. Vanroosenbeek, M. McKinney, K. Malecek, K. Longmier, B. Webster

Other Members: B. McConaughy

Recording: [5.13.2025 ASC meeting](https://wisconsin-edu.zoom.us/rec/share/nBVkmKdgdaB49qqrKUz_N5JNhgxRhvyng-5knBErYfhRCoIEljcl_EFuF7DVhNqr.kzzAQKY2fj8D6PBz)

1. Meeting Start: 10:31 AM
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from April 8
   1. Unanimously approved
3. ATP update: David Kim and Maren Walz
   1. July 2025 go live date still on track
   2. There has been lack of communication due to there not being anything to communicate at this time
   3. If you have any questions/concerns about the process or have heard rumors that you want clarified, please reach out to the team.
4. Academic Staff Professionals Representation Organization (ASPRO): Kathi Kilgore (Executive Director), Jenny Dahlberg (President of the Board), Tyler Tollefson (treasurer)
   1. ASPRO website [www.aspro.net](http://www.aspro.net)  
      ASPRO 2023 24 Legislative Session Bill Tracker <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14zLwW4chrTlcIjJKywswWwFxyvU4e4PK399a0ZR_Ut4/edit?usp=sharing> ASPRO tracked approximately 60 bills on its legislation tracker
   2. ASPRO membership application <https://aspro.net/Documents/Communications/ASPRO-Membership-Application-2023.pdf> or <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1TlNVH-Nxvp-jxNVk60_Gc9DuuJ0K7m1q/view?usp=sharing>
   3. Legislature’s Home Page  <https://legis.wisconsin.gov/>  
      ·        Click on “Find By Map” or enter address in “Who Are My Legislators” text box  
      ·       In the Legend on the left side of the screen, click on the “Assembly Districts (2024)” and/or “Senate Districts (2024)”
   4. My Vote Wisconsin <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/>  
      ·        Find out where you vote and, in July, find what is on your ballot for the August 13th primary
5. Award update discussion: application opening change, better promotion, etc.
   1. Suggestions to shorten the application (both Staff Excellence and Program Excellence)
   2. Open up the application earlier
   3. Have a set grading rubric so people know what the committee is looking for
   4. Provide assistance/guidance on how to write the nomination
   5. Narrow down the applications and then have a conversation with the person who nominated
   6. Program Excellence – what classifies as a program
      1. Be more clear about who can be nominated
      2. Feels weird self-nominating
      3. Change the title of the award
6. Open forum: Vice Chancellor of Administration and Finance 3-4pm, Cleary Alumni & Friends Center
   1. Tuesday: Daniel Layzell
   2. Thursday: Stephanie Pope
   3. Friday: Douglas Allen
7. Committee Updates
   1. Search and Screen Committee
      1. Chancellor Search: Complete
      2. Vice Chancellor of D&I: Complete
      3. Chief Human Resource Officer: Complete, waiting announcement
      4. Vice Chancellor of Administration and Finance: in process
   2. Professional Development Committee
      1. Staff Excellence and Program Excellence will be announced in the coming weeks
      2. 2 weeks left to apply for Professional Development Grants for activity July 1 – October 31
   3. JPB
   4. Additional Committee updates
   5. Madison update
      1. Not many returning to the Madison team next year
      2. Heated conversations got started with President Rothman, President of the BOR, and VP of the BOR about the protests at Madison and Milwaukee campuses
8. New council member announcement
   1. Garrett Ewing
   2. Kim Fuerstenberg
9. Elections of executive council:
   1. Chair: Chris Stindt
   2. Vice Chair: Pearl Bearhart
   3. Communications Chair: Mandi McKinney
   4. Programming Chair: Katelyn Longmier
   5. Madison Representative: Will Vanroosenbeek
10. Speaker suggestions
    1. New members of staff (Chancellor, CHRO, VC A&F, etc)
11. Announcements and Open Discussion
    1. There will be a summer by-laws committee lead by Will to work on revamping our by-laws. Please let us know if you’re interested.
    2. Happy belated graduation!
       1. Betsy got 2 standing ovations this weekend at graduation for the great work she has done and continues to do for the university! Thank you Interim Chancellor Morgan for all you do!
12. Shameless Plugs
13. Adjournment: 11:56 AM