

U.W. PLATTEVILLE-RICHLAND COMMITTEE

June 14, 2021

The U.W. Platteville-Richland Committee met in person and virtually on Monday, June 14, 2021 at 1:15 p.m. in the County Board Room of the Courthouse, 181 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, Wisconsin.

Committee members present included: Linda Gentes, Chad Cosgrove; Bob Frank, Lee Van Landuyt, and Tim Gottschall.

Others present included: Derek S. Kalish, County Clerk; Clinton, Langreck, County Administrator; Dr. Michael Compton, Assistant Dean for Faculty and Staff Services, University of Wisconsin-Platteville; Branch Campus Community Director Melanie Platt-Gibson, University of Wisconsin-Platteville; and Angie Arneson, Food Service Supervisor.

Chair Gentes called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

The Clerk verified that the meeting had been properly noticed. Copies of the agenda were emailed to all U.W. Platteville-Richland Committee members, a copy of the agenda was posted on the Courthouse Bulletin Board, a copy of the agenda was emailed to The Richland Observer and WRCO.

Agenda - Motion by Cosgrove, second by Gottschall for approval of the agenda. Motion carried.

May 10th Minutes Approval - Motion by Van Landuyt, second by Frank for approval of the minutes. Motion carried.

Assistant Provost Report and Update – Michael Compton

Fall Semester Enrollment – Compton noted that applications are up 17% compared to 2020, admits are up 31% compared to last year, confirmation are up 18% compared to last year, and registrants for the New Student Experience are equal to last year and 2019. Compton noted that updated billboards will be coming soon as a means to invest in Richland's visibility.

Date Campus Will Be Open To The Public - Compton also reported that reservations for various fall events are being taken with the caveat that are plans are subject to change based on current health and safety standards.

New Programs/Curriculum – Compton noted a proposed roll out date for the Associate degree in Hospitality and Tourism is set for the fall of 2021 at the Richland and Baraboo campus. Compton also reported that the Early Childhood Associate degree has a projected implementation date of the fall of 2022 and will be offered through the UW-Platteville's School of Education to the Richland campus.

Update On How To Best Utilize Science Facilities - Compton reported that classes are continually offered that satisfy general education requirements for associate degree programs and that a goal is to identify science areas that match the needs of the Richland community.

Branch Campus Community Director Update – Melanie Platt-Gibson

Platt-Gibson noted that overall she feels the community is hopeful, several have mentioned the campus is needed, and that the increased visibility of staff on campus is very beneficial. Platt-Gibson reported she is working on increasing the campus' presence within the local school district and increasing

the awareness of the campus' connection with UW-Platteville. Platt-Gibson also noted she has encountered concerns of the loss of the campus identity and that efforts are being made to increase the direct connection with people entering the building.

Food Service Update – Arneson reviewed several events in which the Food Services is providing goods for. Arneson also noted that she feels confident that having all meal sites reopened and fully functioning will result in a positive impact to Food Service operations.

Campus Maintenance and Repair Projects

- Wallace Student Center – Precision Controls was the only valid bid returned. A hot water pump needs to be replaced and will cost an estimated \$2,200.00 dollars.
- Gymnasium – Flooring repairs will begin the week of June 21st.
- Campus – The compressor in the unit that cools the Dean and Foundation offices went out but was replaced with the salvaged unit from the library. The replacement compressor for the Science building is on order and was replaced at no cost due to the warranty in place. Furniture is being moved back into classrooms for fall classes.
- HVAC – Switched from heating to cooling functions.
- Grounds – Walking trails and campus grounds have been mowed and cleared of debris.
- Misc. – Cleanup of junk pile is ongoing.

Gottschall makes motion present resolution to County Board to authorize the purchase and installation of air handler controls in the Campus Student Center from Precision Controls and Services LLC in the amount of \$6,734.72, Van Landuyt seconds, motion carried. Gottschall inquired about the condition of the HVAC systems and Compton replied by noting the acting Facility Manager is doing whatever he can to keep the systems operational.

Campus Outlay Report: The outlay report was not available for review.

Invoices – Invoices totaling \$1,558.34 were presented for review. Motion by Frank, second by Cosgrove for approval to pay the invoices from the Outlay budget. Motion carried.

Campus Loop Report – No updates at this time.

Agenda Items For Next Meeting – Van Landuyt noted that he would like to discuss the sale of the property behind the campus. Compton noted that a presentation of the recent surveys completed. Gentes noted the next meeting would be held on Monday, July 12th at 1:15 PM on campus in the Pippin Conference Room.

Adjourn - Motion by Frank, second by Cosgrove to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Derek S. Kalish
Richland County Clerk