

Board of Trustees
Committee on Academic and Student Affairs
November 11, 2020
2:30-4:30pm

Committee Report

UW Trustees: Michelle Sullivan (Chair), Mel Baldwin, Macey Moore, Laura Schmidt-Pizzato

1. Consideration and Action– Notice of Intent: Bachelor of Applied Science concentration in Health Administration

1. Information/Discussion: UW-Casper Dean, Brent Pickett provided the Notice of Intent for a new concentration of Health Administration in the Bachelor of Applied Science program. The Bachelor's in Applied Science (BAS) is an already existing degree program at UW. It is designed to serve non-traditional students and is administered through UW-Casper. For over a decade, the University of Wyoming has had the BAS with a concentration in Organizational Leadership. That program has grown significantly and is now one of UW's largest online degree programs with more than 100 majors. The purpose of the BAS degree is to help persons who already have an associate's degree build on that and advance further in their chosen field. The proposed program is designed to build on an associate's degree in a healthcare field by, first, incorporating a suite of five courses drawn from the School of Pharmacy's Master of Science in Health Services Administration. Those courses, amounting to 14 credit hours, will go through the course change process so they can be cross-listed at the 4000/5000 levels. Second, the core components of the BAS in Organizational Leadership are retained so that students become better prepared to assume supervisory and other leadership roles in an organization. By having the program as a BAS, community college coursework in a more applied setting can still be accepted for credit.
2. Action: Motion passed.
3. Next Steps: Trustee Sullivan propose motion with full board:
 - i. *"I move that the Notice of Intent for the Bachelor's in Applied Science (BAS) to add a new concentration option in Health Services Administration be approved."*

2. Information & Discussion: Regulation 9-2 Working Group-Update on Indirect Cost Return

1. Information/Discussion: General Counsel provided an update on the UW Regulation 9-2 Working Group. With direction and participation from President Ed Seidel, the group is currently reviewing a full picture of the research enterprise followed by a focus on the redirect cost structure. The working group is striving to provide a report in a couple of months.
2. Action: This is an information item.
3. Next Steps:

3. Shared Governance Working Group update

1. Information/Discussion: The Shared Governance Working Group has concluded its work and submitted a Pythian paper to Academic Affairs. The Pythian paper includes a philosophy, principles, best practices and recommendations in cultivating a successful shared governance at UW. Academic Affairs will review the paper with Deans Council and make final edits prior to releasing to the UW community at-large. General Counsel is leading a working group charged with reviewing the Pythian paper and putting it into the form of a regulation.
2. Action: This is an information item.
3. Next Steps: Coordinate with Rules & Regulations committee and Working Group as a shared governance regulation.

4. Information & Discussion – Budget reduction plan/implications for Academic and Student Affairs

1. Information/Discussion: All units in Academic Affairs were asked to look at a percentage of a budget reduction, which also included critical student success services. The Office of Academic Affairs continues to try and protect those services for students. The division of Student Affairs continues to evaluate how to coordinate efforts for strategic transitions and budget reductions/revenue losses.
2. Action: This is an information item.
3. Next Steps: Continue conversations with updates on budget reduction process.