

Approved Minutes

**The Trustees of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh-Fox Cities Campus**

Monday January 29, 2024, 4:00 p.m.

1478 Midway Road, Menasha

Trustees Present: Yvonne Monfils (OC), Steve Binder (WC), Tom Swan (WC), Chris Croatt (OC), Tom Borchardt (WC-Alt), John Cuff (OC-Alt),

Others Present: Paul Farrell, Pam Massey (recorder) Mike Elder, Kurt Leibold

1. *Call to order.* The meeting was called to order by Chair Monfils at 2:00 pm.
2. Public comment on agenda items. There were none.
3. *Approval of November 6, 2023, minutes.* Trustee Binder made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Trustee Croatt. 0 Opposed. 0 abstentions. Motion carried.
4. *Follow up discussion from President Rothman presentation.* Consensus that it was good to have the conversation with President Rothman. President Rothman stated again that he is working closely with Chancellors to create plans to enhance the 2-year campuses they are associated with. There are three key points President Rothman wants to stress: 1) providing a quality experience for students; 2) maintaining quality faculty; and 3) serving the community/sustainability. It was clarified that there are two different plans being discussed right now regarding the Fox Cities campus – the MOU and the “Plan to Grow.” Members suggested that there be a conversation with the chancellor to hear what ideas the university has to grow the Fox Cities campus. Members had some ideas for programs that could be offered at the Fox Cities campus (2 year nursing degree; Law School; Environmental Science). Chair Monfils will reach out to the Chancellor and the Provost to schedule a meeting.
5. *Presentation of bills.* Kurt Leibold presented the bills from November and December 2023. Discussion again revolving around cost of outside contractors doing the work needed on campus.
6. *Review of current maintenance projects.* Kurt Leibold reported that the science wing window project RFP will be going out soon, with work hoping to begin in May. The fume hoods project is stagnant as there is not any money to repair the hoods. More information is wanted regarding the liability of the hoods not working properly; Tracy Schwartz will give an update at the next meeting. The Barlow construction project is at a standstill as well; UW System has said they will not pay for any costs associated with the renovations. Various community groups were offered as possible options to help with a capital campaign to raise funds for the renovation. The Food Service project is on pause; the trustees would like to get the MOU and “Plan to Grow” plans in place before starting this discussion up again. Priority projects to be done are the library penthouse repairs, the replacement of roof drains in the CAC, and the fixing of cracks in campus sidewalks.

7. *Review of CIP requests.* VC Leibold provided a broad status update on the outstanding CIP projects.
8. *Joanne Kluessendorf Memorial Rock Garden proposal.* Pam Massey presented the concept of the creation of a rock garden on the Fox Cities campus. Interim Director of the Weis Earth Science Museum Scott Schaefer and Massey presented to facilities committees for both Outagamie and Winnebago county. The concept is in the beginning stages and will occur in phases. Both counties would like more information regarding costs of the project. Schaefer and Massey will go back to county committees in a couple months with an update.
9. Future agenda item: Progress on MOU negotiations.
10. Adjournment. Trustee Croatt made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Swan. Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Massey