

**April 11, 2005, 2:00 pm., UW2 327**

**Present:** Andrea Kovalesky, Kevin Laverty, Jim Miller, Clark Olson, Jane Van Galen and Linda Watts

**Guests:** Tom Bellamy and JoLynn Edwards

**Decision item: IAS Policy Studies minor – JoLynn Edwards**

Kevin initiated discussion on the EC review of the UWB Policy Studies Minor. JoLynn explained how the Policy Studies minor provides an interdisciplinary foundation, integrating global concerns and will serve as a pathway for graduate work in applied and academic research fields such as Policy Studies, Public Health, Environmental Science and other programs at UWB and other institutions. JoLynn described the comments that IAS has received through the tri-campus faculty review and how IAS could address those issues. One issue raised was the relatively small number of elective credits. JoLynn will consult with IAS faculty about adjusting the core and elective credits, from 25 core and 5 elective to 20 core and 10 elective credits if faculty think that will better serve the needs of the program. Given that this meeting was held on the last day of the comment period, Kevin suggested that the EC approve the Policy Studies minor, contingent on the basis that no other comments requiring EC attention are submitted. The EC approved the Policy Studies minor with this provision and also noted that this approval also is valid for a possible IAS faculty decision to adjust the core/elective credits to 20/10.

**Discussion item: Budgeting and strategic planning; how ASAI ("5-for-5") and other GFO priorities will be presented and pursued in the upcoming UWB "budget building" process**

Kevin updated the EC on the role of the Executive Council in the UWB budget building process. EC members are invited to attend the budget building workshops. At a future EC meeting, Bill Kelleher will be present to provide further detail. The EC will need to determine its budget priorities based upon the "5-for-5" and other concerns.

**Announcement: Catching up on approval of EC minutes**

EC minutes will be reviewed electronically for approval.

**Announcement: GFO meeting (April 21, 10:00-11:00 a.m.) for student commencement speaker presentations and selection.**

The GFO meeting on April 21 will conduct a vote to choose the student commencement speaker.

The next EC meeting will be Monday, April 25, 2005.

Minutes submitted by Barbara Van Sant.