**Structure of Academic Governance Offices Across the Big Ten**

**Summary:** Most Big Ten offices of academic governance are led by a full-time staff Office Director who reports to the chair of the Faculty Senate, or are led by the President of the Faculty Senate. MSU is an outlier in terms of having Office of Acad Gov led by a faculty person other than the chair of the Faculty Senate, and having that person report to the Provost rather than faculty reps. We are also an outlier in terms of having low support staff FTEs per faculty member represented. Staff or faculty can get certification as a Nationally Accredited Parliamentarian. *Source: Jennifer Johnson notes from the Big Ten Academic Alliance Shared Governance Summit on 10/9/19 in Ann Arbor, Michigan*

**Institution**

**Director of the Office of Academic Governance**

**# of people in office**

**# faculty being represented**

**# of univ. faculty per office non-student FTE (lower is better)**

**Notes of interest**

**Faculty or staff?**

**FTE**

**Reports to**

U Iowa

Pres of the Faculty Senate (faculty)

Part- time

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1 full-time project coordinator (sits in EVP office)

~1500

tenure-track

1500

Their faculty can donate sick leave to each other

Penn State

Faculty exec director (often past pres of the Senate)

Part- time

Pres of Faculty Senate (?)

7 full-time staff

24 Penn State institutions

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U Minnesota

Staff Office Director

Full- time

Pres of Faculty Senate

6 full-time staff, including a staff office director, a deputy director, and 4 other full-time staff

3,900

650

One of the support staff received certification as a Nationally Accredited Parliamentarian (NAP)

Having this much help “makes their lives so much easier.”

U Maryland

Staff Office Director

Full- time

Pres of University Senate (?)

5 full-time staff, including a staff office director and 4 additional staff

2633

527

“We are still spread thin.”

U Wisc- Madison

Staff office manager

Full- time

The “secretary of faculty” is appointed by the chancellor

5 full-time staff, including a “secretary of faculty” an assistant secretary. The office manager is a staff person.

2140

428

U Illinois Urbana- Champaign

Staff office director

Full- time

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4 full-time staff, including the full-time staff office director

1900

475

Purdue

Faculty – the “secretary of faculties”

Half- time

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1: ½ time faculty “secretary of faculties” and ½ time support staff person

3,055

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Ohio State

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1 full-time staff person and “a couple students”

2,173

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“We need more staff.”

Indiana

Staff office director

Full- time

Pres of Faculty Senate (?)

2 full-time staff: Office director + one more

2,038

1,019

Northwestern

?

?

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2 full-time staff: An admin coordinator and a staff support researcher

1500

750

“The staff support researcher has made a huge difference in our ability to get things done.”

**MSU**

Faculty

Half- time

Provost

1.5: half-time faculty Secretary for Acad Gov, 1 full-time staff person. Plus 3 students who work only on keeping the list of voting faculty up to date

5,700

3,800