**Meeting Minutes: Journalism Advisory Committee (hereinafter, JAC) Agenda**

**Wednesday, March 31, 2023, 3:15 PM**

**Members in attendance:** Kimberly Kinsley (Chair), Marie McAllister, Farhang Rouhani, Eric Bonds (Secretary), and Sushma Subramania (Ex Officio)

**II. Approve the Minutes**

* The March 10, 2023 meeting minutes were circulated and approved by email.

**III. New Business**

* Letter requesting a resolution from the UFC, and plans to attend the upcoming UFC meeting
	+ We discussed the draft letter to the UFC on UMW’s need to provide *The Weekly Ringer* requested information about the result of a disciplinary proceeding regarding a physical assault on campus, in accordance with FOIA law and in the interest of press freedom and public safety.
	+ We discussed a few minor edits and word changes, and determined that the letter was ready to submit to the UFC and be placed on their April agenda. Kimberley and Sushma are planning to share information about this issue at the meeting and request a resolution from the UFC at that time.
* Discussing our charge
	+ We looked again at our duties as described in the Faculty Handbook regarding the JAC, and noted again our “duel” responsibility of both advising the UMW administration on issues regarding student journalism along with advising the faculty advisor to the student newspaper.

**IV.** **Announcements**

* Sushma announced that she would be taking family leave next semester, and that an adjunct professor would temporally take her role then as faculty advisor to *The Weekly Ringer*.
	+ Congratulations Sushma!

**The meeting was concluded at 3:45.**