

Date: September 7, 2007
To: Faculty senate and University community
From: David Rainville, Faculty Senate Chair
Subject: Tentative Agenda for Faculty Senate Meeting, September 12, 2007

The 2007-2008 Faculty Senate will meet on September 12, 2007 at 3:30 P.M. in the Alumni Room (Room 117) South Hall. Faculty Senators who cannot attend should arrange for a substitute and notify Kris Hiney at kristina.hiney@uwrf.edu.
http://www.uwrf.edu/faculty_senate

Call to Order

Seating of Substitutes
Approval of Minutes from June 6, 2007

Reports:

Chair's Report
Vice Chair's Report
Other Reports

Unfinished Business:

Proposal 3 from the 5-2-07 Faculty Senate Meeting: Second reading of a motion from the Disabilities Advisory Committee:

A Motion to alter the charge of the Disabilities Advisory Committee

- a. To make policy recommendation regarding disability issues to Faculty Senate
- b. To advise the Disability Services staff on policy and procedures
- c. To review the annual Disability Services report
- d. To review other relevant reports and information
- e. To review periodic needs assessments of students and Faculty
- f. To recommend training and workshops
- g. To respond to student appeals of accommodation decisions; the committee Chair will designate a hearing committee made up of three committee members

New Business:

Proposal 1: A motion from the Executive Committee: The faculty Senate nominates Glenn Potts (CBE), Brian Copp (CAS), Dean Olsen (CAFES), and Judith Rabak-Wagener (COEPS) to the Sustainability Task Force. (This task force is responsible for Goal 2 of "Living the Promise.")

Proposal 2: A motion from the Executive Committee: The Faculty Senate proposes the following changes to Faculty Senates Committees:

The following changes are needed to Faculty Senate Committees:

Academic Program and Policy Committee

Naomi Hashimoto, At Large, (2007-2010) to fill a vacancy

Academic Standards Committee

Dawn Hukai, Chair, already on committee (2007-2008) to replace Keith Chavey
Victoria Houseman, one year substitute for Roark Atkinson on LOA
Mark Bergland, one year substitute for Steven Luebke on sabbatical.

As there was an error in motion 2007-2008/5, the IIT Council, and its subcommittees must be changed.

Information and Instructional Technology Council

Hossein Najafi, Chair, At Large (2007-2008)
Laura Zlogar, At Large (2007-2010) (Chair ILT Committee)
Glenn Spiczak, At Large (2007-2009) (Chair, Infrastructure Committee)
Sandra Oftedahl, At Large (2007-2009) (Chair, Information Systems Committee)
Brad Mogen, CAS (2007-2008)
Tim Buttles, CAFES (2007-2010)
Gayle Ward, COEPS (2007-2010)
Marina Onken, CBE (2007-2010)

Instructional and Learning Technology Committee

Laura Zlogar, Chair, At Large (2007-2010)
Kathryn Ernie, At Large (2007-2008)
Brad Mogen, CAS (2007-2008)
Tim Buttles, CAFES (2007-2010)
Gayle Ward, COEPS (2007-2010)
Marina Onken, CBE (2007-2010)

Information Systems Committee

Sandra Oftedahl, Chair, At Large (2007-2009)
Mialisa Moline, At Large 2007-2009)

Infrastructure Committee

Glenn Spiczak, Chair, At Large (2007-2009)
Anthony Varghese, At Large (2007-2009)

International Programs Committee

Dennis Cooper, Chair, (2007-2010) to replace Meg Swanson on LOA

University Curriculum Committee

Barbara Nielsen, CAS, (2007-2010), to replace Carol McLelland who is ineligible.

Miscellaneous New Business:

Old Business:

Adjournment



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Representation	Term Expires 2010	Term Expires 2008	Term Expires 2009
<i>CAFES</i>	Kris Hiney (Dennis Cooper)	Laine Vignona**	
<i>CAS</i>	Wes Chapin	Patricia Berg (Colleen Callahan)	Peter Johansson**
	Karl Peterson	John Heppen	
<i>COEPS</i>		Ogden Rogers**	Michael Miller
<i>CBE</i>			Glenn Potts
<i>4th Division</i>	Kristie Feist	Gregg Heinselmann	Sarah Egerstrom
	Kristen Hendrickson		
<i>At Large</i>		Brenda Boetel (Jr)	Melissa Wilson (Jr)
	Sarah Parks (Jr)	Dawn Hukai (Sr)	David Rainville (Sr)
	David Furniss (Sr)		Terry Ferriss (Sr)
	Charlie Hurt* **		

* Chancellor's Designee

** Absent

() Substitute

Call to Order: David Rainville called the meeting to order at 1:35pm

Seating of Substitutes: Dennis Cooper for Kris Hiney; Colleen Callahan for Patricia Berg

Guests: none

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of 5-02-07 (v. 31 n. 24) were approved as corrected. Wes Chapin asked that the minutes be changed to reflect the final results of the referendum for changing the election procedure of Faculty Senators (84 yes, 13 no, and 2 abstentions). The Minutes of 5-02-07 were approved (v. 32 n. 1).

Chair's Report:

On May 4, 2007, two days after have been elected as chair of this senate, I attended a joint meeting of the UW-System Faculty Representatives Council and the UW-System Academic Staff Council which was held at UW-System facilities at UW-Madison. The meeting was chaired by System President Kevin Reilly. The meeting was mostly informative.

The agenda included a discussion of a UW-System Administration "Mission and Vision" Statement. There was some concern amongst representatives that teaching was not addressed anywhere in the statement. This was defended by System Administration indicating that teaching is the mission of the UW campuses and not the UW-System Administration.

A discussion about a "joint shared governance document" which had been initiated by the Faculty Representatives Council occurred. There was an alternative form offered by UW-System Administration which differed little from that of the faculty representatives. There was a general agreement to get together at a later date to further develop this document with intentions to approve a final document.

The importance of early involvement by governance groups with the Board of Regents (BOR) was stressed by Regent Michael Spector who attended the meeting. Spector also indicated that a new list of Regent/campus buddies was forth coming in June (after the BOR meeting in Milwaukee, June 6-7). One of our buddies Regent Jesus Salas was on campus may 7, 2007 and met with many campus people at an informal meeting at the University Center.

A discussion of the BOR-Fringe benefits Advisory Committee's response to the Legislative Audit Bureau (LAB) report of October 2006 occurred. It was generally felt that Regent Loftus was going to offer up collegial coverage in order to preserve the carry-over sick-leave benefit which we currently have. Representatives were asked to respond to Alan Crist (Associate Vice President for Human Resources) concerning campus positions on this issue. I sent the motion we passed in spring 2007 to him.

A report concerning the search for a UW-System Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs was given. Four finalists were to be announced in May. Currently Rebecca Martin is serving as interim Senior Vive President for Academic Affairs. I believe that since that meeting she has been named to that post.

A discussion about unclassified compensation challenges and the "pay plan" was initiated. The pay plan will be put together by the BOR the first two weeks in June. Currently 5.23% per year is proposed for the next four years. Only 2% of that is directly funded, the remainder apparent must come from generated revenues (i.e. tuition).

A comment about the status of collective bargaining was made. Apparently, it was stripped out of the Budget (Gov. Doyle apparently agreed with this). A separate bill may be introduced at a later date addressing this issue.

A memo dated May 8, 2007 from Dr. Laura Zlogar, Chair of the English Department addressed an incident which occurred towards the end of the spring semester was received by myself. Apparently a student using email made threatening remarks towards another student in a class he was taking, indicating that he might "VT" the campus and "cap" a few people. The advice from either campus security and or Blake Frye was to carry a cell phone to class and to call 911 if an incident occurred during administration of the final exam for that class, and to have colleagues acting as hall monitors to assist if an incident occurred. The Executive Committee responded to Administration with a memo classifying campus actions as incompetent and requesting to the handling of this incident.

A committee, The Campus Security Group, met on June 4 to address these issues and to streamline procedures to deal with an alleged or perceived threats. They are supposed to develop a proposed plan of action.

Additionally in a response to our request for an investigation, Provost Hurt has indicated that one is currently begun.

The UPG (University Planning Group) has met several times since it was convened with a moderate amount of progress. Amongst its activities has been the development of a "Project Charter." More recently as a result of committee size constraints, a steering committee was established (Kristen Hendrickson; co-chair, Sarah Egerstrom, Gregg Heinselman, Jude Rathburn; co-chair, Steven Kelm, and David Rainville). This group is charged with the development of agendas for the larger group. The steering committee met on May 25, 2007 to develop an agenda for the Tuesday, June 5, 2007 meeting of the UPG. At this meeting a revised project charter was discussed with a tentative timetable for milestones for the UPG. Amongst other issues discussed was a campus visit from a colleague from the University of Delaware who is experienced in Campus Planning and the relevancy of his meeting with various groups on campus including potential task group leaders, the UPG and Executive Committee members of the Senate.

In order to access the current status of strategic planning an evaluation sheet was introduced to determine progress that may have been made on any of the task charters. In addition this evaluation may aid in the development of a priority rating/scheme for implementation of each task (there is a seven year timetable for the strategic planning process).

A plan to discuss a process for communication of the progress of strategic planning was on the agenda of the UPG but was postponed due to time constraints.

The Chancellor's Leadership Council met on June 4, 2007 to discuss the status of various issues.

- 1) LTG Group Steering Formulation and progress of the UPG.
- 2) Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Update from Gorden Heydahl indicated a 50% response to the faculty-staff survey. Gorden may be contacting individuals for material shortly in order to draft a report. The final draft of the report to the HLC will be ready for comments by August 20, 2007.
- 3) An Assistant to the Provost was named (Nan Jordahl). This position will include some of the responsibilities of the Assistant Chancellor of Academic Affairs position was not filled. Doug Johnson will continue to handle Graduate Studies. Exact duties of the Assistant to the Provost were to be detailed in yesterday's (June 5, 2007) Falcon Daily.
- 4) Falcon File Project Progress was reported by Lisa Wheeler. The status and timetable for implementation for implementation of the project was discussed. Included in the project are SAN (storage area network) and Xythos which will provide greater accessibility to any document created on campus.
- 5) Registration Update by Alan Tuctenhagen. Alan reported that at present transfer student are up 10-15 students from last year, estimates of entering freshman is slightly under 1300 consistent with last years numbers. Retention levels appear to be up by 3% over last year with SCH up 7% amongst retained students.
- 6) University Center Update by Gregg Heinselmann. The UC currently handles about 5000 visitors each day. There is a 211% increase of facilities reservations as compared to Haegested. Bookstore sales are up, and there is a 10% increase in participation in meal plans by students, bringing UWRF up to the UW-System average. Gregg also indicated that next year is a contract year for dining services. Gregg also reported issues dealing with physical problems that have occurred with the UC such as water leakage, AC problem and a vibration problem resulting in odd noises.
- 7) Student Service Update. Gregg Heinselmann reported that approximately 2500 students will be housed next fall (a decrease of 34 from 2006) resulting in an overload of 1.50 students. A total of 97 students have indicated a preference for an "international" roommate. Other preferences included accommodation of a "substance free community" which apparently will be housed in a wing of a residence hall.
- 8) Nancy Devine reported 2006-2007 giving to UWRF Foundation at 1.08 million dollars to 364 separate funds (similar to last year) with the current UWRF endowment at 8.8 million dollars as will be reported in the August issue of US News and World report.
- 9) A Campus Security update was given by Charlie Hurt basically indicating that the group I indicated before had met earlier that morning.

- 10) Capital Budget Update by Mark Kinders. Mark reported an 11-0 vote on the proposed HHP building by the Joint Finance Committee (JFC). Since Mark's Report, the JFC has approved a 10 million dollar fund for retention and recruitment of highly qualified faculty. Distribution of these funds will be by the BOR if this is finally approved. Mark also reported that there is no revenue projection by the state for the current year. The budget is expected to be approved by July 30, 2007.
- 11) A brief report was given by Charlie concerning the "student lending issue" as it related to the UW-System (this is a *quid pro quo* between lender organizations and campus individuals/campus organizations). It appears that UWRF is clean but two UW campuses are not. An article is supposed to appear in the June 4, 2007 issue of the Milwaukee Sentinel concerning this.
- 12) Finally the Kansas City Chiefs arrive July 26.

Yesterday, the JFC cut a Growth Agenda Request by UWRF by \$8900 (\$316,000 vs. \$325,000 requested).

Effective June 1, 2007 are WWS chapters 7 & 11 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code as a result of BOR action.

Addendum to Chairs Report
June 6, 2007

There have been numerous unreturned motions from the 2006-2007 Senate. The exact number is unclear to me at this time, Wes maybe able to shed some light on this issue. I will report back at our next meeting about this issue.

Unfinished Business:

Wes Chapin inquired about the status of Proposal 13 from the May 2, 2006-2007 Faculty Senate meeting (A motion to adopt a Resolution from the Executive Committee addressing the issue of Rescinding Motions. David Rainville replied that the Faculty Senate will address the issue at a future meeting of the Faculty Senate—possible the next meeting or the meeting after. Terry Ferriss requested that supplemental materials related to that proposal be available for future meetings.

New Business Consent Agenda: Motions to approve program changes from AP&P

Proposal 1: Program Change: Health and Human Performance—major/minor program change.

Proposal 2: Program Change: Plant and Earth Sciences—creation of a new code (Golf Enterprise Management).

Motions passed by general consent.

New Business:

Proposal 1: Wes Chapin moved to appoint John Heppen as Faculty Senate Parliamentarian for the 2007-2008 Faculty Senate. Greg Heinselman seconded. Melissa Wilson asked for a vote by acclamation. John Heppen was elected as Faculty Senate Parliamentarian by acclamation.

Proposal 2: A motion to approve an Ad Hoc Committee to address a tenure decision based on impermissible factors 4.3.1(d) of the Faculty Handbook consisting of

Don Leake, Chair (non-voting)
Dr. Steve Simpson, UW-LaCrosse
Dr. Fred Hebert, UW-Stevens Point
Dr. Marilyn Skrivseth, UW-Eau Claire
Dr. Glenn Carlson, UW-Superior
Dr. Lisa Herb, UW-Eau Claire

Dennis Cooper and Terry Ferriss first and seconded the motion respectively. The motion passed unanimously with 17 yes votes.

Proposal 3: A motion to approve 2007-2008 Senate Committee Appointments was made by David Furniss and seconded by John Heppen. The motion passed unanimously with 17 yes votes.

Proposal 4: Withdrawn.

Miscellaneous New Business:

Wes Chapin moved to appoint an ad hoc committee with one representative from each division to evaluate the composition of the Executive Committee and the meeting schedule for the incoming Faculty Senate and to report any recommendations or findings back to the Faculty Senate. Gregg Heinselman seconded the motion. John Heppen moved to amend the motion by inserting and duties between “composition and of”. Sarah Egerstrom seconded the motion. The amendment passed unanimously with 17 votes. Dennis Cooper moved to amend the motion by adding by November 1, 2007 to the end of the motion. David Furniss seconded the motion. The amendment passed unanimously with 17 yes votes. The main motion passed unanimously with 17 yes votes.

Melissa Wilson moved to appoint the members of the ad hoc committee. Sarah Egerstrom seconded the motion. Wes Chapin nominated John Heppen to represent Arts and Sciences. John Heppen accepted the nomination. Sarah Egerstrom moved for a 5 minute recess. David Rainville ruled that the senate will adjourn for 5 minutes. The Faculty Senate came back from recess. Dawn Huakai from CBE, Melissa Wilson from 4th Division, Brenda Boetel from CAFES, and Michael Miller from COEPS accepted nominations to the ad hoc committee. The motion to appoint an ad hoc committee passed unanimously with 17 yes votes.

David Rainville announced a Pig Roast at his house for August 12, 2007.

Karl Peterson moved to adjourn at 3:01pm.

Respectfully submitted by

John Heppen, Acting Faculty Senate Secretary
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