



**Minutes of the UWRF Faculty Senate for April 23, 2008 Vol. 32 No. 16.**

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

\* Chancellor's Designee

\*\* Absent

() Substitute

**Call to Order of Joint Session**

**Seating of Substitutes**

**Recognition of Invited Guests:** Ron Singer, Associate Vice President of Academic and Student Services, Bob Jorkisch, Special Assistant to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Lisa Kornetsky, Director of OPID

**Discussion:**

1. This year UW RF falls in order as having the worst compensation in the System for summer school and Academic Staff positions.
2. The search and screen committee for a new chancellor has been asked to take place over summer with no additional compensation. 3 people have volunteered as of yet.
3. Instructional Academic Staff would like access to the policies that affect them

4. “De-coupling” effect: 1.5% compensation plan – did not happen. Al Crist is working with faculty and graduate students to present better data to us.
  5. UWS7 and UWS11: Issue needs to be brought back into conversation. There is a new document available that will be discussed at the next Faculty Senate meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The word “liaison” has been removed and the document has been stripped down to the bare minimum.
  6. We need a system that understands the shared governance process.
- 2) **Insurance:**
7. Situation does not seem to be resolving itself.
  8. ETF approved providing a Standard Plan at Tier 2 rates next year. Is this true? Is this a good deal?
  9. Beat Street Plan – not a good option for us as was presented.
  10. UWRF and as well as all System schools need a true advocate with our best interests in focus. Who is our advocate at System?
  11. R & R funding: State see’s this as a solution but it is not. There are funds that go mostly to Madison campus and the rest of the campuses get the “scraps”.
- 3) Six Chancellors leaving UW System within a year - the most recent being Chancellor Bruce Shepard - UW Green Bay.  
Crisis at UW System.

### **Adjournment of Special Session**

**Call to Order:** David Rainville called the meeting to order at 4:39 pm

### **Seating of Substitutes:**

**Guests:** Sandy Soares,

### **Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2008**

Pat Berg motioned to approve minutes and was seconded by Kristie Feist

Approval of Minutes

18 yes

0 opposed

0 abstentions: Minutes approved

### **Chair's Report Faculty Senate April 23, 2008**

My report today is very brief. I can start by saying congratulations to all who participated in the site visit for the Higher Learning Commission. They left earlier today so now we can wait for their report. At the meeting with UCC, AP&P, and the General Education and University Requirements meeting with them, one member indicated that

our self study report was the bible for all others to follow. He indicated that it was the best that he had ever seen. Hopefully that will be a predictor of the final report.

The campus referendum on the Constitutional amendment we passed at the end of March and the edited Constitution has gone out and will be counted on April 30th. Thus far we have about 100 responses which I understand is usual in these cases.

I have also solicited volunteers for Faculty Senate and administrative committees and I am receiving a good response.

I cannot say the same about my request for volunteers for the Search and Screen Committee for the new Chancellor. I have received three voluntary nominations. Please encourage colleague that you believe would be good candidates to volunteer.

Finally, UWS announced this afternoon that Chancellor Bruce Shepard of UWGB is "the preferred candidate to become the next president of Western Washington University." If confirmed by the board later this week, Shepard would step down from UWGB at the end of June. Shepard has been chancellor at UWGB since 2001.

In addition, the need for candidates for the Chancellor's Search and Screen committee to come forward and volunteer was expressed. It was suggested to add some summer compensation in the amount of \$1000 per faculty member. This money would come out of the budget specifically for UWRF.

Vice Chair's Report: Election updates. David is also seeking nominations for the termination committee.

Senate elections will not be complete by May 7, therefore a special meeting for elections to the executive committee will be held during finals week.

### **Old Business:**

#### **New Business Consent Agenda.**

1. Program Change in Broad Area Business Administration-Finance Option
2. Program Change in Biotechnology.
3. Program Change in Chemistry

John Heppen moved to approve and was seconded by David Furniss

All in favor 18

Opposed 0

Abstentions 0

### **New Business:**

1. A motion to approve the 2008 revised edition of Chapter 5 of the Faculty Staff Handbook.

Terry Ferriss made a motion to bring to discussion and was seconded by Sarah Parks. In favor 18, 0 opposed, 3 abstentions. Motion passed.

2. A motion to approve the 2008 revised edition of Chapter 7 of the Faculty Staff Handbook.

Dawn Hukai made a motion to bring to discussion and was seconded by David Furniss.  
In favor 18, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions

3. A motion to approve the 2008 revised edition of the Faculty Staff Handbook.

Sarah Parks moved to bring to discussion and was seconded by Kristie Feist.

It was suggested that in the future all new motions will be identified as to where they will be placed in the Faculty Handbook.

18 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions

David Furniss moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Melissa Wilson  
Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.