MINUTES
2012-2013 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate
Wednesday, March 6, 2013, 3:30pm UC 275A

1. Chancellor Telfer called to order at 3:35pm. At this time there was a quorum.

2. Approval of Minutes
   a. Minutes of the 2012-2013 Faculty Senate Meeting, February 12, 2013.
      b. Gulig/Ossers motion was approved.

3. Reports
   a. University Organization Committee
      i. Budget Committee: The Organization Committee does not recommend
         action to eliminate the Faculty Budget Committee, an elected University
         Faculty Committee.
         1. Godiwalla reviewed the Organization Committee’s decision to
            keep the Faculty Budget Committee in tact (see item 1 of the
            attached document, pg.3). Mandell/Ahmadi motion to keep the
            Faculty Budget Committee intact. Chancellor Telfer stated this
            motion was unnecessary because the committee already exists and
            the recommendation was that nothing should change. Gulig/Ossers
            motion to confirm the decision of the Organization Committee to
            keep the Faculty Budget Committee. Majority approved.

ii. General Education Review Committee: The Organization Committee
    recommends the creation of a new, elected University faculty committee,
    General Education Review Committee (GERC), upon the recommendation
    of the Faculty Senate.
    1. Heinrich requested clarification on the language used to describe
       representation from the four natural sciences departments (see
       “Membership” section of attached document, pg. 4). Motion to
       revise language to read: “One faculty member elected by and from
       the faculties of the four natural sciences departments, Biology,
       Chemistry, Geography and Geology, and Physics, will serve as the
       representative.” Revision was noted and resolved as a friendly
       amendment.

    2. Gulig requested a change in the language related to course
       coordinators (see “Membership” section of attached document, pg.
       4). Motion to revise language to read: “Principal coordinators for
       Communication 110, Developmental and Proficiency Mathematics,
       and Freshman English will be ex-officio voting members of that
       committee. In absence of a coordinator a faculty member will be
       elected.” Revision was noted and resolved as a friendly
       amendment.

    3. Mandell motioned to revise the language used under Functions,
       item 2 (see “Functions” section of attached document, pg. 3) to
read, “Develop and review proposals for changes in general education goals and outcomes, policies, and curriculum for action by the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) for curriculum matters or the Faculty Senate for policy matters. Mandell/Hartwick motion carried. 32 supported, 2 opposed, 2 abstained.

4. The following two friendly amendments to change language were noted (see “Membership” section of attached document, pg. 4):
   a. Correct title of Academic Assessment Coordinator to Academic Assessment Director
   b. Spell out AAEC, Academic Advising and Exploration Center

5. Godiwalla/Gulig motion to approve the new General Education Review Committee (GERC) carried with a majority. 38 supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained

4. Announcements and Information
   a. State Budget Update from Chancellor Telfer
      i. Governor Walker’s proposed budget calls for $181 million investment in the University of Wisconsin System.
      ii. It is not known how much of the proposed money will be available for salaries.
   b. Deans and Department Chairs will be receiving information on merit pay. Specifically, who will be included in the merit-pool.
   c. State of WI will be creating a database of money paid by the state of WI. Database will include UW-System employee salaries.
   d. Mandell asked about the process the Faculty Budget Committee chair/members should follow to meet with the Chancellor on budget issues. The Chancellor invited the chair of the Faculty Budget Committee to request a meeting to discuss the committee’s role.

5. Items for Fall 2013 Meeting
   a. Request was made for a report from the faculty senate workload subcommittee
   b. Request was made for the Faculty Budget Committee to update the faculty on the what the members have done to initiate a meeting with the Chancellor

6. Adjourn
   a. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50pm, with a Johnson/Hartwick motion.

Respectfully submitted by Kathryn Casey, Assistant Professor, Department of Special Education
Agenda for the Spring Faculty Meeting to be held at 3:30 pm, Wednesday, March 6, 2013
in UC, room 275-A

Yezdi H. Godiwalla (Management Department), Chairperson of Organization Committee, would present the committee's proposals for the following two issues to the University Faculty, and, Academic Staff with Faculty Status at the Spring Faculty Meeting for their consideration and action.

1. The Organization Committee does not recommend any action on the recommendation to eliminate the Faculty Budget Committee, an elected University Faculty committee. It recommends waiting to observe the nature of the ramifications of the budgeting related changes that are forthcoming in the next fiscal year at State level. It also recommends that the Faculty Budget Committee, as a voice representing the University Faculty on budgeting issues, seek greater inclusion and interaction in campus level budgeting activities, and, also request the Chancellor for its better inclusion in such activities.

2. The Organization Committee recommends the creation of a new, elected University faculty committee, “General Education Review Committee” (GERC), upon the recommendation of the Faculty Senate. There currently is a “GERC” titled committee of the Faculty Senate that performs substantially similar functions. The proposed new committee, GERC, is intended to replace the Faculty Senate committee. The functions, membership, and terms of the proposed GERC are as follows:

FUNCTIONS

1. Responsible for ongoing review, evaluation, and assessment of the General Education program and its components, including proficiency, Core, and other required and elective courses.
2. Develop and review proposals for changes in general education goals and outcomes, policies, and curriculum, especially based on assessment results for action by the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) and/or Faculty Senate.
3. Recommend to the UCC appropriate courses for inclusion in the General Education program.
4. Periodically report to the UCC and to the Faculty Senate.
MEMBERSHIP

One faculty member elected by and from each of the five constituencies: Education and Professional Studies, Letters and Sciences, and Library (these are elected in the first even year after the start of the committee; thereafter, every 3 years); and Business and Economics, and Arts and Communication (these are elected in the first odd year after the start of the committee; thereafter, every 3 years).

One faculty member elected by and from each of the following Departments: Communication, Languages and Literatures (these are elected in the first even year after the start of the committee, thereafter, every 3 years), Mathematical and Computer Sciences (these are elected in the first odd year after the start of the committee; thereafter, every 3 years). Where course coordinators exist for these areas, that faculty or academic staff member shall serve as an ex-officio, voting member of the committee.

One faculty member elected by and from the faculties of the four natural science departments of: (a) Biology and Chemistry (these are elected in the first even year after the start of the committee, thereafter, every 3 years), and, (b) Geography & Geology, and Physics (these are elected in the first odd year after the start of the committee; thereafter, every 3 years).

One faculty member elected by and from the Diversity Committee (elected in odd years).

A coordinator from each of the five Core courses (GENED 110, GENED 120, GENED 130, GENED 140, and GENED 390), and the coordinator for PEGNRL 192. The coordinators shall be ex officio, voting members.

Two voting student members, as chosen by Whitewater Student Government.

Non-voting ex officio members: General Education Coordinator, Academic Assessment Coordinator, AAEC Director, Director of First Year Programs, and an administrator from Student Affairs.

TERMS

Three-year staggered terms for the elected faculty representatives and one-year terms for the student representatives.