

AGENDA

2004/2005 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate

Tuesday, February 1, 2005, 2:15 p.m.

James R. Connor University Center 219

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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

1. Senators present:
2. Senators absent: (*informed Secretary)

3. Approval of Minutes: 2004/2005 Faculty Senate Meeting, December 7, 2004

4. Reports of Committees

1. University Curriculum Committee:
 1. Transmittal of actions of Friday, December 3, 2004
 2. Transmittal of actions of Friday, January 21, 2005
2. University Standards Committee (please see the attachments) (USC Chair Brooks requests a motion for special order to take up this report at 3:45 PM)
3. Faculty Personnel Rules Committee (please see the attachment)
4. *Ad Hoc* committee to study faculty concerns about course evaluations

5. Old Business

1. Resolution on UW Trust Fund holdings (postponed per item 6.3.4., December 7, 2004 minutes:

WHEREAS there have been allegations that some of the world's governments, including, for example, the Israeli government, have been and continue to be engaged in grave human rights violations, including engaging in military assaults on civilians, making mass arrests, holding and torturing political prisoners, willfully destroying agricultural land, displacing civilian refugees, depriving civilians of water and food, demolishing homes, confiscating land, hostage-taking and conducting extra-judicial assassinations; and,

WHEREAS the International Court of Justice has ruled that Israel's Security Wall violates international humanitarian law as well as the fundamental human rights of the Palestinians; and,

WHEREAS it is alleged that these acts constitute war crimes, and, in some cases crimes against humanity, proscribed by such international codes and agreements as the Principles of the Nuremberg Charter and Judgment, The United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, United Nations Security Council and General Assembly resolutions, the International Covenant of Civil and Political Rights, the Geneva Conventions (in particular, but not limited to the 4th Geneva Convention), the Convention Against Torture, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Protocol I; and,

WHEREAS, the U.S. Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, 22 USC sec. 2304, provides that "no security assistance may be provided to any country the government of which engages in a consistent pattern of gross violations of internationally recognized human rights"; and,

WHEREAS, University of Wisconsin System Regent Trust and Fund Policy 78-1 provides that "In accordance with Sec. 36.29(1) Wis. Stats., all investments 'made in any company, corporation, subsidiary or affiliate which practices or condones through its actions discrimination on the basis of race religion, color, creed or sex. . . .' shall be divested in as prudent but rapid a manner as possible"; and,

WHEREAS, University of Wisconsin System Regent Trust and Fund Policy 97-1 (Investment and Social Responsibility) provides that "the Board acknowledges the importance of maintaining an awareness of public concerns about corporate policies or practices that are discriminatory (as defined by 36.29(1) Wis. Stats.) or cause substantial social injury, and it will take this factor into account."

BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater calls upon the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents to conduct a disinterested and expert investigation into the allegations stated above toward the possible end of divesting of holdings in Boeing, Caterpillar, General Dynamics, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, Raytheon and any companies demonstrated to be knowingly supplying weaponry or financial support for any nations which engage in such human rights violations.

1. Ghavamshahidi/Portman moved to approve; **motion pending.**
2. Kozlowicz moved to amend by striking the first three paragraphs; **motion pending**
3. Aulerich moved to amend the amendment by striking from the final paragraph, "*Boeing, Caterpillar, General Dynamics, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, Raytheon and*"; **motion pending**
4. Ghavamshahidi moved to postpone until the February 1, 2005 meeting. Passed

6. **New Business:** none

7. **Announcements and Information** (no action unless noted otherwise)

1. Report of the Chancellor
2. Report of the Provost
3. Report of the Senate Chair
 1. Resolutions from the December 7, 2004 Faculty Senate Meeting
 1. **FS0405-12:** November 12, 2004 UCC; Chancellor approved Dec. 14, 2004
 2. **FS0405-13:** 2005-2007 Faculty Salary Plan; Chancellor denied Dec. 14, 2004 pending further negotiations
 3. **FS0405-14:** 2006-2007 Academic Calendar; Chancellor approved Dec. 14, 2004
 4. **FS0405-15:** December 2004 graduation resolution
 2. Other announcements:
 1. Nominations for the University awards - Faculty Service, Outstanding Research, W.P. Roseman Excellence in Teaching, and the University Faculty/Staff Academic Advising award. Faculty Senators Robert Gruber and John Valadez are serving 2004/2005 and 2005/2006 terms; Virginia Epps is serving 2004/2005 as former Service Award Recipient; Neil Sawyer and Sue Wildermuth are continuing in 2003/2004 and 2004/2005 term.
 3. Senate Meeting Dates and Times
 1. Faculty Senate: March 8, 2005; April 12, 2005; May 3, 2005
 2. Faculty Senate Executive Committee: February 22, 2005; March 29, 2005; April 19, 2004

8. **Adjournment**