

Agenda
1998/1999 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate
2:15 p.m.
Tuesday, February 9, 1998
James R. Connor University Center 219

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of December 8 meeting (attached)
3. Reports of Committees
 - a. Report of Search and Screen Committee for Chancellor (D. Sorensen as a courtesy; J. Freer attached)
 - b. Report of the University Curriculum Committee
 - i. November 20, 1998 (attached)
 - ii. Dec. 4, 1998 (attached)
 - iii. Jan. 22, 1999 (attached)
 - c. Report of the Chair: progress on the promotions process for 1999/2000 and beyond
 - d. Request of the Memorial Committee (attached):
 - i. Edgar Schwager Memorial Drive
 - (1) Rename Warhawk Drive (from Tratt Street) to Schwager Memorial Drive
 - (2) Rename Stadium Drive (from Fremont Street) to Schwager Memorial Drive East
 - (3) Appropriate Plaques and Signs to be placed at both entrances
 - ii. David L. Kachel Gymnasium
 - (1) Rename "Gym 1" to David L. Kachel Gymnasium
 - e. Report on the Strategic Planning and Budget Committee (S. Ghosh); see also <http://www.uww.edu/SPBC/>
 - f. Report of the Faculty Personnel Rules Committee (V. Epps and B Bren):
 - i. Revision of UWW VI-F, (f), 7 regarding abstentions in personnel decisions

Current version:

When a decisionmaker is a committee, an affirmative decision requires the affirmative votes of a majority of the members participating in the review. An abstention shall be counted and recorded as a negative vote.

Proposed revision:

An affirmative decision requires the affirmative votes of a majority of the members participating in the review. A participant is defined as any individual who is a qualified decision-maker or a tenured member of the department and who is free of disqualifying conflicts of interest and who is present during the discussion of the candidate's documented performance. A participant's abstention will have the effect of a negative vote.

- ii. Process of Appeals for promotions, 1998/1999 only:

Whereas, in the promotion procedures for 1998-1999, applications for promotion are reviewed in turn by the department, department chair, constituency promotion

committee, dean (or constituency director), and provost;
And whereas, each individual or committee reviewing applications for promotion makes a recommendation, which recommendation is then forwarded to the next reviewer; that is, all promotion applications are forwarded through each step (whether recommendations are positive, negative, or mixed);
Be it resolved:
(1) that for the current year only, 1998-1999, appeals of promotion decisions be directed to the Faculty Appeals and Grievance Committee (per University Handbook Sec. VI-M [pp. 10 and 11]); and
(2) that such appeals may be made once the Provost has completed decisions independent of consultation with the Chancellor; and
(3) that such appeals must be made within 15 days of receiving notification of the Provost's decision; and
(4) that the Chancellor shall withhold any decision on pending appeals until the appeals panel formed from the Faculty Appeals and Grievance Committee has made its report to the Chancellor; and
(5) that (specifications in University Handbook VI-M, para. 1. notwithstanding) when making such appeals, appellants may present information and/or argument in response to recommendations made by any or all reviewers; and
(6) that for 1998/1999 appeals of reappointment and tenure decisions shall occur under the provisions of UWS 3.08 and UWW VI-F, Chapt. III, (4)-(7).

4. New Business

- a. Letters and Sciences Senators are to select a new representative to the Senate Executive Committee
- b. Honorary Degrees (at the request of the Chancellor; pending Board of Regents' approval on Feb. 5)
- c. Resolution on out-of-class time per credit (D. Marks; attached)

Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate strongly encourages all faculty to include a statement in their course syllabi reminding students that the University Handbook (Sec. V-C, p.1, Rev. August 1, 1992) requires instructors to assign, on average, a minimum of the equivalent of two hours of out-of-class work for every hour of class time. This is the minimum requirement for the typical student seeking the typical grade in the typical course.

- d. Other new business (no action)

5. Announcements and Information (no action)

- a. Next Faculty Senate Meeting: 2:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 9 James R. Connor UC 219
- b. Chancellor's Cabinet Meetings Jan. 19 and Feb. 2
- c. Faculty Representatives' Meeting of Jan. 29

d. Board of Regents Meetings of Feb. 4 and 5.