AGENDA

2003/2004 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate
Tuesday, April 6, 2004, 2:15 p.m.
James R. Connor University Center 219

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call
   a. Senators present:
   b. Senators absent: (*informed Secretary)

3. Approval of Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting, March 9, 2004

4. Reports of Committees
   a. University Curriculum Committee: Transmittal of actions of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of Friday, March 5, 2004
   b. ad hoc Committee to Examine the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) and Faculty Survey of Student Engagement (FSSE) (postponed from the March 9, 2004 meeting for lack of a quorum)
      x. The Faculty Senate recommends that departments review their curricula to identify and catalog where students are given opportunities to interact with students from different backgrounds and different racial and/or ethnic groups.
      xi. The Faculty Senate recommends that departments review their syllabi to identify the expectations of students contained in those syllabi, and to review the syllabi where appropriate.
      xii. The Faculty Senate recommends that departments discuss where higher-level mental activities are emphasized in their curricula and, when appropriate, work to include more challenging mental activities.
      xiii. The Faculty Senate recommends that departments include efforts to improve the educational environment (as indicated by the NSSE/FSSE results) in their annual goal-setting effort
   c. Faculty Senate Executive Committee: Resolved that the Faculty Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater recommends to the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents that the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater students who have applied for graduation in May 2004 and who have been certified by the University Registrar to have met all academic requirements and completed all of their courses of study be granted their degrees at the May 2004 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater commencement exercises.

5. New Business
   a. Retirement Resolution(s):
   b. Letter from Local 1131 Wisconsin State Employees Union concerning persons unexpectedly in offices when buildings are closed (attached)
   c. Resolution forming an ad hoc committee to study faculty concerns about course evaluations: Resolved that the Faculty Senate form an ad hoc committee to study faculty concerns about course evaluations and report on common concerns across the university. The committee is to include five faculty members, representing at least three constituencies and at least two ranks. The ad hoc committee is to report to the Faculty Senate at its November 2004 meeting.
   d. Elect one faculty member to represent the Faculty Senate on the Campus Landscape Planning Committee, term to expire 2006
   e. Constituencies to elect members to the General Education Review Committee
      i. Arts & Communication, term to expire 2006
      ii. Business & Economics, term to expire 2006
      iii. Other, term to expire 2006
      iv. Education, term to expire 2006
      v. Education, term to expire 2006
vi. Letters & Sciences, term to expire 2006
vii. Letters & Sciences, term to expire 2006

6. Announcements and Information (no action unless noted otherwise)
   a. Report of the Chancellor
   b. Report of the Provost
   c. Report of the Senate Chair
      i. Resolutions from the March 9, 2003 Faculty Senate meeting (Note: The Senate chair postponed transmittal of resolutions resulting from the report of the ad hoc committee to examine the NSSE and FSSE pending the Senate's completing its actions.)
         1. FS0304-26: February 20, 2004 UCC
      ii. Senate Meeting Dates and Times
         1. Faculty Senate: May 4
         2. Faculty Senate Executive Committee: April 20
   d. Other announcements

7. Adjournment