

AGENDA

2007/2008 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate

Tuesday, November 13, 2:15 p.m.
Andersen Library 2254

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
 1. Senators present:
 2. Senators absent: (*informed Secretary)
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 1. 2007/2008 Faculty Senate Meeting, October 9, 2007
4. **Reports of Committees**
 1. University Curriculum Committee:
 1. Transmittal of actions of Friday, November 2, 2007.
 2. Faculty Senate Executive Committee:
 1. Criminal Background Check Policy
5. **Old Business**
 1. Resolution on establishing an ad hoc committee to study the integrity of online courses:
Whereas the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater has been increasing the number of online course offerings; and
Whereas one of the benchmarks of the University Strategic Plan is to further increase the number of these offerings;
Therefore be it resolved that an ad hoc committee be formed to investigate the issue of the integrity of online courses and the practices that are currently in place to help ensure the quality of online instruction and to make recommendations on maintaining the integrity of these courses; on educating first time instructors of online courses in best practices; on exploiting new technologies and maintaining currency in a rapidly changing technological environment; and on supporting online course instruction, including the development of any infrastructure (for example, testing centers) that may be needed by instructors and/or students. The Committee will consist of five members, one member from each constituency and one member from Instructional, Communication, and Information Technology. Nominations should be sent to the Faculty Senate Chair by November 27. The Faculty Senate Executive will select the five members from the pool of nominees at its November 27 meeting. The Committee should report to the Faculty Senate at its May 6, 2008, meeting.
 2. Elect two members to the Faculty Personnel Rules Committee (for the by-laws, please see <http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/FC-Rules.htm>), all terms expire in 2010:
 1. One faculty member from Arts and Communication.
 2. One faculty member at large, min. 50% non-teaching load.
6. **New Business:**
 1. Retirement Resolutions: None.
 2. Approval of the 2010-2111 Academic Calendar.
 3. Resolution in support of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Petition for an Equitable, Reasonable, and Affordable Quality Health Care Plan:
Whereas the faculty and staff of all campuses of the University of Wisconsin System should have access to fair and good quality health care;
Be it resolved that the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate endorses and fully supports the Petition for an Equitable, Reasonable, and Affordable Quality Health Care Plan for all faculty and staff at the the University of Wisconsin-River Falls; and
Be it further resolved that we strongly urge the President and the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System to act quickly to ensure that each campus be offered an equitable, reasonable, and

affordable quality health care plan this year and in the future.

4. Elect three (3) tenured faculty members at large to the Faculty Appeals, Grievances, and Disciplinary Hearing Committee (For the committee bylaws see <http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/FC-FacAppeals.htm>).

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:

1. Senate Executive Committee actions August 2006
 1. **FS0607-01EXEC:** 08/15/06: approved the Memorial Committee's proposed naming opportunity for the Pavilion: Coulthart Family Pavilion, transmitted to the Chancellor 8/16/06
2. from October 10, 2006, Senate Meeting
 1. **FS0607-06:** approved all actionable items of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of Friday, September 22, 2006; transmitted to the Chancellor 10/18/06
3. from November 14, 2006, Senate Meeting
 1. **FS0607-07:** approved all actionable items of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of Friday, October 20, 2006; transmitted to the Chancellor 11/22/06.
4. from the December 12, 2006, Senate meeting
 1. **FS0607-10:** adopted the Campus Landscape Planning Committee report, "Reconstruction Plan for the UW-Whitewater Nature Preserve,"; transmitted to the Chancellor 12/18/06.
5. from the March 13, 2007, Senate meeting
 1. **FS0607-18:** approved the Criminal Background Check Policy; transmitted to the Chancellor 03/23/07.
6. from the April 10, 2007, Senate meeting
 1. **FS0607-23:** approved the Resolution on Criteria for Approval of Wisconsin Technical College System Collegiate Transfers Programs:
*Whereas at its February 9, 2007, meeting, the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents passed the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents Criteria for Approval of Wisconsin Technical College System Collegiate Transfer Programs (Education Committee Resolution A); and,
Whereas the Faculty "have the primary responsibility for academic and educational activities" (Wis. Stat. 36.09(4)); and,
Whereas the Criteria do not make clear the role of the faculty in reviewing and approving either the curriculum of the Liberal Arts Programs or the Pre-Professional Programs for transfer from the Wisconsin Technical College System;
Be it resolved that if the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater does any formal review of a Liberal Arts Program called for under II.C.1 of the Criteria: "Formal review and, if possible, approval of the curriculum for course transfer is obtained from at least one UWS institution to which students are likely to transfer following completion of the Liberal Arts degree," no such review may be completed without an assessment by and approval of the appropriate college curriculum committee or committees; the University Curriculum Committee; and, for any courses proposed for General Education credit, the General Education Review Committee; and,
Be it further resolved that if the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater considers approving a Pre-Professional Program called for under III.C.1 of the Criteria: "Approval of the program is obtained from the WTCS and UWS partner institution(s), including the transfer and application of courses toward a degree at the institution," no such approval may be granted without an assessment by and approval of the appropriate college curriculum committee or committees; the University Curriculum Committee; and, for any courses proposed for General Education credit, the General Education Review Committee;* transmitted to the Chancellor 04/17/07.

7. from the May 8, 2007, Senate meeting
 1. **FS0607-31:** approved revisions to the Reconstruction Plan for the UW-Whitewater Nature Preserve; transmitted to the Chancellor 05/22/07.
 2. **FS0607-32:** approved revisions to the Faculty Rules:
Resolved that the text in section III, F, 2, c, (1) - (4) be changed
From
c. Include a written narrative for each year. Use a maximum of three pages for this narrative. The narrative should consider the faculty member's
(1) critical evaluation of his/her performance in teaching, research and creative activity, and professional and public service,
(2) description of his/her performance as it relates to the university principles in teaching, research and creative activity, and professional and public service,
(3) description of his/her performance as it relates to his/her departmental and constituency standards in teaching, research and creative activity, and professional and public service description of his/her performance as it relates to the Document of Intent or annual face-to-face goals.
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c. Include a written narrative for each year. Use a maximum of three pages for this narrative. Because the department goals and mission are consistent with those of the college and university as well as the university strategic plan, in the narrative concisely describe your
(1) approach to teaching and how it is consistent with the select mission of the department and/or the strategic plan of the university;
(2) research agenda, current projects, and accomplishments and in what way this agenda and the projects are consistent the select mission of the department and/or the strategic plan of the University;
3) service activities and how they help support the fulfillment of the select mission of the department and/or the strategic plan of the University; transmitted to the Chancellor 05/22/07.
 3. **FS0607-35:** approved the resolution on Domestic Partner Benefits:
Whereas the University of Wisconsin System's lack of Domestic Partner Benefits has resulted in the loss of valued employees and makes it more difficult to recruit high quality employees; and
Whereas peer institutions of the University of Wisconsin System afford their employees these benefits;
Therefore be it resolved that the Faculty Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater urges the granting of Domestic Partner benefits to all employees of the University of Wisconsin System, transmitted to the Chancellor 5/22/07.
8. from the September 11, 2007, Senate meeting
 1. **FS0708-01:** approval of revisions to the Criminal Background Check Policy, **FS0607-18**, transmitted to the Chancellor 09/24/07.
9. from the November 11, 2007, Senate meeting
 1. **FS0708-03:** approved all actionable items of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of Friday, September 7, 2007; transmitted to the Chancellor 10/10/07.
 2. **FS0708-04:** approved all actionable items of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of Friday, September 21, 2007; transmitted to the Chancellor 10/10/07.
2. Other
4. Senate Meeting Dates and Times
 1. [Faculty Senate](#): December 11, 2007; February 12, 2008; March 11, 2008; April 8, 2007; May 6, 2007; Meetings begin at 2:15 p.m. in Andersen Library 2254 and run until business is finished.
 2. Faculty Senate Executive Committee: November 27, 2007; January 29, 2008; February 26, 2008; March 18, 2008; April 22, 2008; Meetings of the Executive Committee are typically held at 2:15 in Heide Hall 416 on Tuesdays two weeks before Senate meetings and as needed.
5. Other announcements

8. Adjournment