

Agenda

2001/2002 [University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate](#)

Tuesday, December 11, 2001, 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 the November 13, 2001 Faculty Senate Meeting
4. Reports of Committees
 - a. University Curriculum Committee: Transmittal of actions of Friday, November 2, 2001
 - b. Executive Committee
 - i. Resolution on December 2001 Graduates: *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 December 2001 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 December 2001 commencement exercises.*
 - ii. Resolution on the Regents' use of Safransky v. The Personnel Board, 62 Wis., 2d 464 (1974): *Because the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System has adopted the Safransky decision (Safransky v. The Personnel Board, 62 Wis., 2d 464 [1974]) as the standard of "just cause," which standard permits the dismissal of a tenured faculty member at a University of Wisconsin institution if "some deficiency has been demonstrated which can reasonably be said to have a tendency to impair his [sic] performance of the duties of his [sic] position or the efficiency of the group with which he [sic] works";*

And because, in the Marder case, this inappropriate standard was applied to no adequate findings of fact;

And because this standard is inapplicable in the specific situation of a tenured faculty member at a University of Wisconsin institution, with the distinctive rights and imperatives of academic freedom and shared governance and all that such entail;

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate strenuously objects to the Board of Regents' adoption of the Safransky decision as the standard of "just cause" and calls upon the Board of Regents to restore due process protections of tenure and to return to the principle of "just cause" as it is traditionally understood in the context of academic institutions; and

And the Faculty Senate further calls upon the Board of Regents in making their decisions to comply fully with procedural and substantive provisions of the UWS Administrative Code and state statutes;

And the Faculty Senate further directs that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, the President of the University of Wisconsin System, the Office of the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the members of the Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin, and the office of the Attorney General.
5. Unfinished Business-none
6. New Business
 - a. Retirement Resolution(s)
 - b. Appoint one member representing Letters and Sciences to General Education Review Committee to replace

Elizabeth Hachten for 2001-2002 only

- c. Appoint one member to the University Design for Diversity Committee
- d. Appoint one member to the Chancellor's *Ad Hoc* Task Force on Campus Climate and Diversity

7. Announcements and Information (no action)

- a. Report of the Chancellor
- b. Report of the Senate Chair
 - i. UW-System "Legislative Update" <http://www.uwsa.edu/univ_rel/govrel/lupdate/index.htm>
 - ii. Resolutions from the November 13, 2001 Senate

FS0102-8: UCC transmittal October 5, 2001; Chancellor Miller approved 11/15/01

FS0102-9: requesting that the Faculty Salary Committee discover matters affecting 2001 market, equity, and compression adjustments; Senate Chair contacted Salary Committee members 11/14/01 asking to meet to "discuss...the means by which [the Salary]committee might provide the information which the Senate resolution requests"; sent to Chancellor Miller f.y.i. 11/14/01

FS0102-10: resolution to revise the Textbook Rental Policy; Chancellor Miller approved 11/15/01

- iii. Next Senate Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, January 22, 2002, at 2:15 in UC 65
- iv. Next Faculty Senate Meeting: Tuesday, February 5, 2002, at 2:15 in UC 219
- v. Other announcements

8. Adjournment