

MINUTES

2007/2008 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate

Tuesday, April 8, 2:15 p.m.
University Center 259B

1. **Call to Order** Meeting called to order at 2:21 PM.
2. **Roll Call**
 1. Senators present: Ahmadi, Albrechtsen, Bertozzi, Bren, Dougan, Drago, Emrey, Erdmann, Griffith, Gruber, Gunawardena, Hogan, Kolb, Kumpaty, Leitheiser, Mercer, Molloy, Ossers, Porter, Robinson, Samaranayake, Stalder, Weston, White
 2. Senators absent: (*informed Secretary) Cartwright*, Chen, Evangelista*, Ghavamshahidi*, Gosen, Henige*, E. Johnson, S. Johnson*, Portman*, Tourigny*
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 1. 2007/2008 Faculty Senate Meeting, February 12, 2008. Approved unanimously on a Porter/Ahmadi motion.
4. **Reports of Committees:**
 1. University Curriculum Committee: No action this month.
5. **Old Business:**
 1. None.
6. **New Business:**
 1. Retirement Resolutions:
 1. Joyce Huang (**attached to the paper copy**). Approved unanimously on a Bren/Erdmann motion. **FS0708-14**
 2. Ann Riall (**attached to the paper copy**). Approved unanimously on a Griffith/Kolb motion. **FS0708-15**
 3. Thomas L. Colwin (**attached to the paper copy**). Approved unanimously on an Erdmann/Weston motion. **FS0708-16**
 4. Philip Johns (distributed at meeting) One editorial correction to add rank in heading. Approved unanimously on a Kumpaty/Emrey motion. **FS0708-17**
 2. Resolution in Support of FY09-11 Library DIN:

WHEREAS the lifeblood of academic research is authoritative information and UW System libraries are purveyors of that content; and WHEREAS information is essential in increasing research capacity and productivity across the UW System; and

WHEREAS information sources available "virtually" are essential so that faculty, staff, and students can use them from their computer at work, at school, or at home for distance and lifelong learning; and WHEREAS the information marketplace has exploded in response to growth in new areas of knowledge; and

WHEREAS the recruitment and retention of talented faculty and students, which is influenced by the availability of resources that support their academic success, is paramount for the success and reputation of the UW system; and

WHEREAS UW has not received new funding for the acquisition of library resources since the 1999/01 biennium;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that UW-Whitewater Faculty Senate fully supports the request for funding to increase electronic access to information to benefit students, faculty/staff and all Wisconsin residents.

Acting Chancellor Telfer indicated that the Library DIN was one of four that would be receiving support from the Chancellors. Approved unanimously on a Bren/Ossers motion. **FS0708-18**

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

1. Report of the Chancellor: The Chancellor reported that the Governor and the leaders of the Assembly and Senate are negotiating on how to handle the anticipated \$652 million dollar shortfall in state revenue each has a slightly different plan. There is no solid information on how this will impact the System yet. Out-of-state freshman enrollment is up fifty percent which is a financial gain for the campus. Driving a diverse economy, the 2009/2011 growth agenda plan, was submitted last week and has three components(1) preparing students for the global economy, (2) preparing students for science and technology fields, and (3) increasing access to bachelors and masters degrees for Wisconsin students.
2. Report of the Provost: The Provost also spoke about the growth agenda, noting that the percentage of Minnesotans holding a bachelors degree is six percent higher than in Wisconsin. Two other issues raised were a need to revise the 2012 calendar due to when Labor Day falls and an examination of some online methods for student evaluations of faculty.
3. Report of the Senate Chair: Chair Hogan announced that we will need to elect a new Faculty Senate chair for the 2008/09 term as he will becoming chair of Languages and Literatures. The classified unions have agreed, though not yet voted on, a 2-1-2 pay plan for the bienniumwhether this will affect how JOCER handles the unclassified salaries is unclear. The Senates resolution on D2L problems has had some impact as members of System IT visited the campus to discuss certain issues. System is looking for a new director of the Office of Professional and Instruction Developmentif interested, see the System website for details. Faculty members are encouraged to attend a May 22 meeting in Madison on the development of common outcomes and values for all baccalaureate graduates of the UW System, for details contact Chair Hogan.
4. Other announcements: Barbara Bren of the Elections Committee reported on the lack of candidates for the spring election (now ongoing) and asked that Senate consider whether the Organizations Committee or an Ad-hoc group should again review the committee structure.
5. Senate Meeting Dates and Times
 1. [Faculty Senate](#): May 6, 2007, UC 259B; Meetings begin at 2:15 p.m.
 2. Faculty Senate Executive Committee: 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.

8. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 3:35 PM on a Ossers/Ahmadi motion.