Minutes

2007/2008 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate

Tuesday, September 11, 2:15 p.m.
Andersen Library 2254

1. Call to Order  Meeting was called to order at 2:55 PM.
2. Roll Call
   1. Senators present:  Ahmadi, Bertozzi, Bren, Dougan, Drago, Emrey, Brdmann, Ghavamshahidi, Gosen, Griffith, Gruber, Henige, Hogan, E. Johnson, S. Johnson, Kolb, Kumpaty, Leitheiser, Mercer, Molloy, Ossers, Robinson, Samaranayake, Weston
   3. Welcome to new 2007-2008 members:  Members were welcomed.
      1. Representing the College of Arts and Communication: Elena Bertozzi (returning), Barbara Bren (returning), and Karen Weston (returning). There remain two vacancies for the College of Arts and Communication.
      2. Representing the College of Business and Economics: William Dougan, William Drago, Robert Gruber (returning), Jim Molloy (returning), and Louise Tourigny.
      3. Representing the College of Education: Amy Stevens Griffith (returning), Edric Johnson, and Rowland Robinson. There remain two vacancies for the College of Education
      4. Representing the College of Letters and Sciences: Ed Erdmann (returning), Fe Evangelista, Hephzibah Kumpaty, Manuel Ossers (returning), and Sobitha Samaranayake.
3. Approval of Minutes:

1. Reports of Committees
   1. University Curriculum Committee:
      1. No meeting this month.
   2. Faculty Senate Executive Committee:
      1. Version of the Criminal Background Check Policy (FS0607-18) revised by UW System Council. Interim Chancellor Telfer explained System’s responses to the original document. The version attached reflects the Campus response to System’s concerns. The version as attached passed unanimously after debate on a Ghavamshahidi/Erdmann motion. **FS0708-01**
      2. Response to Legislative Audit Bureau report on benefits. Erdmann/Gosen moved to table indefinitely. Motion passed.

1. Old Business
   1. Senators from the Education constituency in caucus select a member of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. Rowand Robinson selected.

1. New Business:
   1. Senators in caucus by constituency are to indicate their selection of faculty members to the General Education Review Committee (for the by-laws, please see [http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/FC-GenEd.htm](http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/FC-GenEd.htm)), all terms to expire 2009
      1. One faculty member from Arts and Communication.  Postponed.
      3. Two faculty members from Letters and Sciences.  Jian Guo of Languages and Literatures and Zohreh Ghavamshahidi of Political Science elected
2. Elect four members to the Faculty Personnel Rules Committee (for the by-laws, please see [http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/FC-Rules.htm](http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/FC-Rules.htm)), all terms expire in 2010 unless otherwise noted:
   1. One faculty member from Arts and Communication,  Postponed
   2. One faculty member from Education,  Penny Portman (3 year term)
   3. One faculty member at large, min. 50% non-teaching load,  Postponed
   4. One faculty member at large, term to expire in 2008.  Steve Albrechtsen
3. Appoint one Senator to serve a two year term on the Chancellor's Task Force on LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) Issues.  Edric Johnson appointed.
4. Appoint a faculty member to a two year term to the Sexual Assault Prevention Advisory Committee (the Committee meets the last Wednesday of each month of the academic year at 11:00 a.m. For more information on the committee, please see [http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/ac-assault.htm](http://www.uww.edu/uwwhdbk/committees/ac-assault.htm)). Gayle Mercer appointed.

1. **Announcements and Information** (no action unless noted otherwise)
   1. Report of the Chancellor  Announced that the University Center should be open at the beginning of second semester. Reviewed the current budget debate in the Legislature and the implications for the University.
   2. Report of the Provost  University security report and emergency response plan written. A new academically-oriented convocation was held for the incoming freshmen.
   3. Report of the Senate Chair  System is putting together a strategic framework for the System.
      1. Other
   4. Senate Meeting Dates and Times
      1. **Faculty Senate**: October 9, 2007; November 13, 2007; 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: September 25, 2007; October 30, 2007; 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

1. **Adjournment**  Meeting adjourned at 4:03 PM on an Ossers/Emrey motion.