

Minutes

2007/2008 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate

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

1. **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 2:20 PM.
2. **Roll Call**
 1. Senators present: Ahmadi, Albrechtsen, Bertozzi, Bren, Cartwright, Dougan, Drago, Emrey, Erdmann, Evangelista, Ghavamshahidi, Gosen, Henige, Hogan, E. Johnson, S. Johnson, Kolb, Leiheiser, Mercer, Molloy, Ossers, Portman, Robinson, Samaranayake, Stalder, Tourigny, Weston
 2. Senators absent: (*informed Secretary) Chen, Griffith*, Gruber*, Gunawardena*, Kumpaty, Porter*, White*
 3. Chair Hogan welcomed the four newly elected senators – Albrechtsen, Chen, Portman, and Stalder and announced the resignation of John Valadez due to health reasons.
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 1. 2007/2008 Faculty Senate Meeting, October 9, 2007. Minutes were approved on a Ghavamshahidi/Leitheiser motion.
4. **Reports of Committees**
 1. University Curriculum Committee:
 1. Transmittal of actions of Friday, November 2, 2007. Approved on a Cartwright/Bertozzi motion.
FS0708-05
 1. Faculty Senate Executive Committee:
 1. Criminal Background Check Policy We are accepting an editorial change requested by the Academic Staff Assembly.
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. Ahmadi/Gosen moved consideration of the motion. Professor Robert Schramm of Information Technology and Business Education who is a leader in the development of online courses in the College of Business and Economics was invited by a member of the Senate to speak and offer information he has collected about online courses. Discussion followed. Ghavamshahidi/S. Johnson moved a call for the previous question which passed. The resolution passed.
FS0708-06
 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. 1. One faculty member from Arts and Communication. Postponed
 2. 2. One faculty member at large, min. 50% non-teaching load. Erdmann/Leitheiser moved for unanimous consent to elect Joe Hogan of Languages and Literatures, passed.

6. New Business:

1. Retirement Resolutions: None.
2. Approval of the 2010-2111 Academic Calendar (**attached to the paper copy**). Registrar Dan Edelbeck was present to answer questions. Approved on a Erdman/Ossers motion. **FS0708-07**
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 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. Approved on a Ossers/Ahmadi motion. **FS0708-08**
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>). Bertozzi/E. Johnson moved to close nominations and elect unanimously, Neil Sawyer of Biology, William Skelly of HPERC, and Susan Johnson of Political Science. Motion passed.

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

1. Report of the Chancellor: Dr. Telfer noted items in the state budget that will affect the campus – notably the \$25 million lapse across System. WHEG funds were increased. The growth agenda funds were put into 2008-09 and will be considered with reference to the Strategic Framework System is working out. Please send your comment on the implications and directions of the growth agenda to the Chancellor. OSER has not yet sent the pay plan to JOCER - Regents are proposing 4%.
2. Report of the Provost: All programs are being reviewed for possibilities within the growth agenda. Associate Vice Chancellor Monfils reminded people to attend the candidate forums for the Human Resources director.
3. Report of the Senate Chair: Chair Hogan announced the composition of the Chancellor Search & Screen Committee:
 - Dennis Baskin, Executive Director, Pre-College Programs
 - Barbara Bren, Associate Professor, Library
 - Carolina Calvillo (Student Representative)
 - John Chenoweth, Associate Professor, Information Technology/Business Education
 - Michael Cohen, Budget Planner, Budget Planning and Analysis
 - Randy Cruse (Community Representative)
 - Robert Douglas (Community Representative)
 - Denise Ehlen, Director, Research and Sponsored Programs
 - Zohreh Ghavamshahidi, Professor, Political Science
 - Jennifer Hanewall, Director, Human Resources and Workforce Diversity,
 - UW System Administration
 - Joseph Hogan, Associate Professor, Languages and Literatures
 - Hephzibah Kumpaty, Associate Professor, Chemistry
 - James Larson, Professor, Psychology
 - Manuel Ossers, Professor, Languages and Literatures
 - Jimmy Peltier, Professor, Marketing (Chair)
 - Diana Rogers-Adkinson, Professor, Special Education
 - Ann Ruff, Professor, Curriculum and Instruction
 - Nicholas Santilli (Student Representative)
 - Faye Skelton, Financial Specialist
 - John Stone, Dean, Graduate Studies and Continuing Education
 - Susan Wildermuth, Associate Professor, Communications

4. Other

1. 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** Adjourned at 3:25 on a Portman/Mercer motion