

Minutes
2008/2009 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate
Tuesday, December 09, 2:15 p.m.
University Center 275 A
<http://www.uww.edu/facsenate>

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:20 PM.
2. **Calling of the roll**
 1. Senators present: Albrechtsen, Bertozzi, Bren, Chen, Dougan, Emrey, Erdmann, Evangelista, Henige, Hogan, Kumpaty, Leitheiser, Mickelson, Nam, Portman, Samaranayake, Skelly, Tourigny.
 2. Senators absent: (*informed Secretary) Ahmadi, Cartwright, Drago*, Griffith, Gruber*, Johnson, Kolb*, Ghavamshahidi, Lollar, McGuigan*, Melton*, Molloy, Ossers, Porter, Robinson, Weston, Munro*, Mickelson*.

The roll call was taken and with only 16 senators in attendance, the meeting was cancelled (lack of quorum). Hence, no official business was conducted. Provost and Senate Chair presented their reports.

7. **Announcements and Information** (no action unless noted otherwise)
 1. Report of the Chancellor:
 2. Report of the Provost: The Chancellor being out of town, Provost Clements presented information from both her office and the Chancellor's. She presented an update on the state budget. She also asked the senate to look into the possibility of a policy on student absences for legitimate military absences.
 3. Report of the Senate Chair:
 1. Report from Regents Meeting: Chair Kumpaty gave a brief PowerPoint presentation of her report (a handout was distributed). Highlights include Regents approving a 2.5% pay increase each year for the 2009-2011 biennium and a report on UW-campus climate study. Regents expressed concern over a high rate of sexual assaults on/off campus stated in this campus climate study.
 2. Resolutions:
 1. from the October 7, 2008, Senate meeting:
 1. **FS0809-04:** approved UW-W undergraduate course repeat policy; transmitted to the Chancellor 10/15/08;
Resolved that the UW-W course repeat policy for undergraduate students be amended as follows:

***From:** "Students may repeat a limited number of courses in which they earned a C-grade or below in order to have those grades replaced. During their undergraduate career at UW-Whitewater, students are limited to repeating no more than 5 separate courses for grade replacement."*

To: *Students who earn a grade of C- or below may repeat the course once for grade and earned credit replacement. Students who wish to enroll in a third attempt of a course must file an approved university appeal. Students should contact the Registrar's Office for information about the appeal process.*

Be it further resolved that the revised policy become effective the first day of the Fall 2009 Term

2. **FS0809-05:** approved the appreciation resolution for John H. Heyer, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (2007-2008); transmitted to the Chancellor on 10/08/08.

2. from the November 11, 2008, Senate meeting:
 1. **FS0809-07:** 1. approved all actionable items of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of October 17, 2008; transmitted to the Chancellor 11/18/08; approved by the Chancellor on 11/19/08.
2. approved all actionable items of the University Curriculum Committee meeting of October 31, 2008; transmitted to the Chancellor 11/18/08; approved by the Chancellor on 11/19/08.

 2. **FS0809-08:** approved December, 2008 "Graduate Resolution"
Resolved that 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 2008 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 2008 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater commencement exercises; transmitted to the Chancellor 11/18/08; approved by the Chancellor 11/19/08

 3. **FS0809-09:** approved changes to *section III, B, 8, c, (3)UWW Faculty Personnel Rules*
Resolved that the text in section III, B, 8, c, (3) be inserted as follows

For a candidate who receives credit for prior service, at the discretion of the department and with the approval of the probationary faculty member, a full review may be held two full years before the mandatory tenure and/or promotion decision. This review may take place even if no decision for reappointment is necessary.
probationary faculty in the first year of a two year contract who receive a strong appraisal in this review, the recommendation of the department, and agreement of the chancellor, may be offered a two year contract so that 1) a

consultation is done in the next year and 2) the mandatory tenure and/or promotion review arrives in the year their contract is to be reviewed.

Be it further resolved that the current UWW III.B.8.c.(3)-(5) be renumbered.

Be it further resolved that UWW III Appendix C.1 be revised so that the fourth review year for three years credited experience reads as follows:

Department consultation **or decision**²; following first semester on campus
² See UWW III.B.8.c.(3); transmitted to the Chancellor 11/18/08; approved by the Chancellor on 11/25/08.

4. **FS0809-10:** approved insertion of text, section III, E, to faculty personnel rules.

Resolved that a new section 2 to UWW III, E be added and renumber the following sections and cross references.

2. Faculty Senate chair's and/or the Faculty Senate chair's designee's responsibilities:

a. Upon receipt of an appeal, the chair shall determine whether or not the appeal is valid (see UWW III, E, 1, b).

b. If the appeal is determined to be valid, the chair and/or the chair's designee shall form a Faculty Appeals and Grievance Committee panel.

c. If the appeal is determined not to be valid, the chair and/or the chair's designee shall inform the appellant, specifying why the appeal was not valid, and request that an amended appeal be submitted within three business days.

(1) If an amended appeal is not submitted in a timely fashion, the chair or the chair's designee shall forward the portfolio to the appropriate review agent.

(2) If an amended appeal is submitted, the chair and/or the chair's designee shall determine if the amended appeal is valid.

(3) If the amended appeal is determined to be valid, the chair and/or the chair's designee shall form a Faculty Appeals and Grievance Committee panel.

(4) If the amended appeal is determined still not to be valid, the chair and/or the chair's designee shall inform the appellant and the portfolio shall be forwarded to the appropriate review agent.

d. The finding that an appeal is not valid is not to be construed as a negative Report of Findings and Decision (see UWW, III, E, 2, f, (6)). The appellant, in this instance, shall not have exhausted all avenues of appeal as would occur with a negative Report of Findings and Decision (see III, E, 2, f, (6), (c) and (e)).

e. The Faculty Senate chair shall appoint a designee to determine whether or not an appeal is valid if the chair is in the same department as the appellant or if the chair perceives that there is a conflict of interest.

Renumbering: The old UWW III, E, 2 shall become 3 and the old 3 shall become 4. All cross references to these sections shall be renumbered. transmitted to the Chancellor 11/18/08; approved by the Chancellor on 11/25/08.

8. Senate Meeting Dates and Times

1. [2008/2009 Faculty Senate](#): October 7, 2008; November 11, 2008; December 9, 2008; February 10, 2009; March 10, 2009; April 14, 2009; May 5, 2009. Meetings begin at 2:15 p.m. Faculty Senate meetings continue until business is finished, potentially 5 PM or later. The location(s) of the Senate meetings for 2008-2009 are shown on the Faculty Senate home page.
2. 2008/2009 Faculty Senate Executive Committee: September 23, 2008; October 28, 2008; November 25, 2008; January 27, 2009; February 24, 2009; March 31, 2009; April 21, 2009. Meetings of the Executive Committee are typically at 2:15 on Tuesdays two weeks before Senate meetings and as needed. The Senate Executive Committee meetings for 2008-2009 will be held in Upham 222.

9. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.