Minutes
1999/2000 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater Faculty Senate
2:15 p.m., Tuesday, April 11, 2000
Hamilton Center 162

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call
   a. Senators present: Albrechtsen, Anderson, Bren, Cartwright, Chang, Clayton, Clements, de Onis, Dollarhide, Eamon, Ellenwood, Epps, Erdmann, Ghosh, Hogan, Howat, Huang, Klug, Kozlowicz, Longrie, Molloy, Monfils, Parks, Phanord, Porter, Rottet, Schauer, Tesar, Topp, Yin

3. Motion to approve Minutes of Faculty Senate Meeting, March 14, 2000: (Ellenwood/Hogan): Passed

4. Reports of Committees
   a. University Curriculum Committee
      i. Motion to approve all actionable items of Friday, March 17, 2000 see http://acadaff.uww.edu/ucc/1999-00/031700T.htm for download links)(Cartwright/Clements): Passed
   b. Report of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee: Resolution of congratulations on Chancellor Miller’s inauguration (Epps/Monfils)

   On behalf of the Faculty of the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, the Faculty Senate congratulates John W. Miller on his inauguration as 13th Chancellor. May Chancellor Miller’s leadership bring to students not just learning, but understanding; to faculty not just scholarship, but wisdom; and to himself, not just success, but personal satisfaction. 

   FS9900-36
   c. Memorial Committee: Resolution to approve resolution supporting naming Winther 2008 the Ernella Hunziker Room (Epps/Schauer):

   Resolved that the Faculty Senate supports naming Winther 2008 the Ernella Hunziker Room in recognition of Ernella Hunziker’s achievements as a teacher and scholar and in gratitude for her financial contributions to UW-Whitewater. 

   FS9900-37

5. New Business
   a. Retirement Resolution(s)
      i. Motion to approve retirement resolution for Donna Rae Clasen (Ghosh/Porter): Approved unanimously

   FS9900-38
      ii. Motion to approve retirement resolution for I-Ning Huang (Eamon/Hogan): Approved unanimously

   FS9900-39
      iii. Motion to approve retirement resolution for James Leaver (Longrie/Hogan): Approved unanimously

   FS9900-40
      iv. Motion to approve retirement resolution for Kenneth Salzwedel (Eamon/Ghosh): Approved unanimously

   FS9900-41
      v. Motion to approve retirement resolution for Abdullah Zarinnia (Parks/Tesar): Approved unanimously

   FS9900-42
      vi. Motion to approve retirement resolution for Janet Anderson (Monfils/Ellenwood): Approved
b. Resolution regarding fair labor practices in companies contracted to produce goods bearing the UWW logo.

(Schauer/Longrie): Passed

Recently students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and at the University of Pennsylvania have joined with their university administrations to form what is now known as the Workers Rights Coalition.

The purpose of the WRC is to monitor the human rights policies of those corporate entities that enter into contracts to produce clothing and other items bearing university logos or that are otherwise sanctioned by the university. The goal of the WRC is to prevent university involvement with any commercial enterprise that employs sweat-shop labor or otherwise violates the human rights of its workers.

Resolved that the Faculty Senate recommends to Chancellor Miller that the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater join the University of Wisconsin–Madison in membership and in participation in the activities of the WRC.

Resolved that the Faculty Senate requests that Chancellor Miller report upon the administration position on the issue at the May 2000 meeting of the Faculty Senate.

c. Other new business (no action)
   i. Schauer inquired about the status of Faculty Senate resolution FS9900-9 (approved October 12, 1999), which offered "free admission to UWW Theatre productions and/or some Performing Arts and/or Lively Arts events" to emeritus faculty. Erdmann reported that the Chancellor had approved the resolution, but had noted that there may be reasons such a privilege might be prohibited. Monfils added that it had been discussed at a meeting of the Arts and Communication administrative council, and Dean Heyer was checking on whether contractual agreements for some events might prohibit free tickets.
   ii. Phanord noted that previously departments could convert qualified academic staff into tenure-track faculty; that Chancellor Greenhill had even offered departments a $1000 reward for identifying such qualified academic staff; but that this year such an action has been prohibited. Senators raised concerns about fairness to academic staff currently employed who are qualified for faculty positions.
   iii. Eamon pointed out that as the Personnel Rules Committee revises the rules governing hiring, there has been confusion as search and screen committees receive instructions that may conflict with existing rules in the University Handbook. This situation may raise legal issues regarding the rights of applicants and departments when existing rules are not followed? Personnel Rules Committee chair Epps reported that the proposed rules have been forwarded to the campus administration for their input.

6. Announcements and Information (no action)
   a. Report of the Chancellor (none)
   b. Report of the Senate Chair
      i. (Chancellor’s memo to Ad Hoc Committee on goals attached)
ii. Chair’s responsibilities
(1) to facilitate awareness of UWS and BOR policies and actions; attending monthly “Faculty Representative” meetings and optionally attending Board of Regents meetings
(2) negotiate and facilitate communication among faculty, faculty committees and administration, esp. regarding personnel matters, policies, and salary
(3) advocate for governance
(4) inform faculty of their rights under personnel rules
(5) inform faculty of their governance responsibilities
(6) liaison between Senate and Academic Staff Assembly
(7) liaison between Senate and Whitewater Student Government
(8) facilitate and oversee grievance and appeals processes
(9) supervise governance center secretary in cooperation with Chair of Academic Staff Assembly
(10) participate in ceremonial functions as representative of the faculty
(11) prepare Senate meeting agendas, minutes, conduct Senate meetings
(12) schedule various committee reports; e.g. salary committee
(13) schedule various Senate appointments to administrative and faculty committees
(14) schedule annual actions; e.g. graduation resolutions; retirement resolutions

iii. Possible tasks for 2000/2001 Chair and Senate
(1) clarify and prescribe the scope and limits of the powers of the Executive Committee, esp. regarding the role of governance over the summer months
(2) define terms of office (e.g. when is the elected 2000/2001 Chair officially responsible in office?)
(3) help/encourage the ad hoc Diversity Committee to recommend to Organization Committee by-laws by which to make a standing faculty Diversity Committee (Cartwright is working on this now).

iv. UWS-Faculty Survey: UW-System has sent some faculty across system a survey. According to Frank Goldberg, UWS Assoc. Vice President for Policy Analysis and Research, this survey is to provide information for the “Report of the Accountability Review Task Force” on which Cartwright, Clayton, and Epps reported under item 4.c.ii. at our March 14 meeting. This report, required by the Governor, is to be System-wide, not singling out specific campuses.

v. The report of the ad hoc task force on the “University of Wisconsin-Whitewater/Enrollment Management 21/Summary”: will come at the May 2 meeting. The Senate formed this task force under item 5.d. of its March 14 meeting

vi. Action on Senate resolutions: Chancellor Miller approved all curricular actions and retirement resolutions from the March 14 meeting; all other resolutions were f.y.i. to the Chancellor

vii. April 6 and 7 Board of Regents Meetings: radio and newspapers reported that students who had completed an associate’s degree could enroll in a UW institution as juniors. This seems to oversimplify and overstate the action taken when the Regents and Wisconsin Technical College Board met jointly for the first time.

(1) history
(a) 1989
(i) transfer possibilities increased to allow WTCS students to transfer up to 15 gen. ed. credits if they had completed an occupational degree (typically an Associate’s degree)
(ii) some UW universities and WTCS institutions created “articulation agreements” which enable students who had completed an occupational degree to transfer specific occupational courses to a related UW program; by 1999/2000 there were 378 such specific agreements.

(b) 1995: a student need no complete an associate’s degree to transfer gen. ed. credits or participate in an articulation agreement.

(2) April 6 joint session
(a) resolution #1 adopted “Statement of Guiding Principles on Student Transfer from Wisconsin Technical College System to the University of Wisconsin System
(b) resolution #2 “authorizes” UW Institutions to
(i) “create “2+2” degree completion programs”
(ii) “develop 2+2 and other multi-institutional articulation agreements”
(iii) “increase the limit on general education transfer credits”

d. Initial meeting of 2000/2001 Faculty Senate: Tuesday, May 2, UC 219
e. Next Faculty Senate Meeting: Tues., May 2, UC219, 2:15 p.m. (at the close of the brief initial meeting of the 2000/2001 Faculty Senate)

7. Adjournment