

FS2020-11-10_03: Charge to Faculty External Affairs & Outreach Committee

Approved at the 2020-11-10 meeting of the Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senate hereby charges the Faculty External Affairs & Outreach Committee to serve as the Faculty's liaison to UW System (including the System President and the Board of Regents), the WI State Government (including the Governor and the State Legislature), and members of the Whitewater and regional communities.

This committee builds from a function described in UWW's Faculty Constitution (Article VI, Section 1, bullet point 4), wherein the Faculty Senate has the responsibility to act as liaison between the faculty and the University of Wisconsin System upon matters within the limits of its competency and discretion.

Members of this committee will be appointed by the Faculty Senate and should consist of at least one representative from each college.

This committee should facilitate regular communication with:

- a. Board of Regents Members
- b. State Legislators and the Governor
- c. The UW System President
- d. The System Faculty Reps Group
- e. Community Partners (e.g., The Greater Whitewater Committee)
- f. The Chancellor's Chief-of-Staff
- g. Other on-campus individuals or groups involved in advocacy
- h. Faculty Senate Chair
- i. Others as needed

The purpose of this committee is to:

- j. Advocate for increased funding/support for the University
- k. Advocate for the educational mission of the University and for the Wisconsin Idea
- l. Advocate for shared governance
- m. Advocate for the value of UW-Whitewater to the state and region
- n. Ensure that Regents know what is happening "on the ground" at UWW
- o. Regularly update the Faculty Senate on important issues

By March 1, 2021, this committee should consider making a recommendation to the Organization Committee about the possibility of turning this into a Standing Committee.