

# UWRF Academic Staff Council Minutes

Monday, December 15, 2008

University Center, Willow River Room

## Members:

Gretchen Link	Kevin Bertelsen *	McKenna Pfeiffer
Ellen Schultz	Michael Martin	Travis Tubré *
Yunge Dutton	Brad Gee	Amy Lloyd (Kristie Feist)

\* Absent 2 () Substitute 1

**Call to Order, seating of substitutes:** 2:06pm

**Approval of Minutes for the November 17:** Moved by Martin. Seconded by Gee. Unanimously approved.

## Legislative Update (Blake Fry):

- Governor is waiting to announce revenue shortfall until we know what federal assistance will be provided
- UW System building projects that could go to bid in the next six months are on hold
- United St. Croix Valley Days-representatives head to Madison to discuss issues that are important to campus and our region. Discussion items will include: campus growth agenda and capital building project regulations. Changes to building regulations would allow us to build buildings for less money and in less time.

## Academic Staff Rep's Report (M. Martin):

- Suggestion was made for all campuses to look at whether or not there is a policy for laying off academic staff .
- Likelihood of unionization- it will be a campus by campus decision, but we want it to be all or none.
- Program prioritization
- Budget updates
- 3 year degree

## Chair's Report (G. Link):

- No movement within IAS sub committees

## New Business (G. Link):

*Council Election:* HR is still compiling a list of eligible people. Hope to have everything completed by the next meeting.

*Chancellor's Award for Program Excellence:* announcement will be posted in Falcon Daily regarding nomination requirements and deadline. Motion to move deadline from February 1 to February 13 for this year only. Motion made by Gee. Seconded by Schultz. Unanimously approved.

*Next Meeting:* Due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day the next Council meeting will be Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Feist. Seconded by Dutton. Meeting adjourned at 2:53pm