

Minutes of the Calendar Committee - Friday, February 23, 2007

Charlie Hurt*	Pam Katzman	Nate Splett
Miriam Huffman	Katrina Larsen	Jerry Waller
Douglas Johnson	Rebecca Peine	
Rich Kathan*	Karl Peterson	

* Absent

** No member identified

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Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm.

Seating of Substitutes: Dan Vande Yacht for Rich Kathan

Guests: None

Approval of the Minutes from the February 9, 2007, meeting:

The motion (N. Splett/M. Huffman) to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 9, 2007, passed.

Chair's Report and/or others:

1. The Chair indicated that we may cancel the Committee meeting scheduled for March 23, 2007. The Committee has two remaining items of business to consider: the 2009-10 Academic Calendar and the Balanced Calendar Assessment. Today's meeting will focus on the 2009-10 Academic Calendar and the next meeting on March 9, 2007 will focus on finalizing the assessment survey. At that point we will need time to distribute the survey, gather data and draft a summary report. The meeting on March 23 will probably not allow for enough time to accomplish all of the tasks.

New Business:

1. 2009-10 Academic Calendar: The Committee went through the draft calendar to check the accuracy of the proposed dates. There were several minor changes made. The language related to grading days was changed to read, '5 working days of grading'. In Summer Session 3, classes will begin on Tuesday, July 6 because Monday, July 5 will be a University holiday for July 4 being a Sunday. All of the summer sessions were made to end on a Sunday so that every day of the summer was in a formal session.

There was a motion (K. Peterson/D. Johnson) to incorporate renamed days into the calendar. The renamed days were used in the 2004-05 Academic Calendar when classes started before Labor Day. Renamed days allow for a more even flow of days during the term, which is important to departments that have multiple sections of courses that meet only once per week. Not renaming causes logistical and pedagogical problems for the affected departments. The renaming of days was not favorably received previously, and did cause some general confusion and specific difficulties for programs that coordinate with off-campus entities. The motion was defeated (2 yes: 6 no). See attached.

The motion (K. Larsen/N. Splett) to approve the edited 2009-10 Academic Calendar passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:08pm.

Respectfully submitted, Karl P. Peterson

UW-River Falls Academic Calendar for 2009-2010

Fall 2009-2010

Registration/advising/development: August 24-28, M-F

Labor Day: September 7, Monday
Academic Day (no classes): September 1, Tuesday
1st day of classes: September 2, Wednesday
Thanksgiving break: November 25-27, W-F
Last day of classes: December 14, Monday
Study Day: December 15, Tuesday
Final Exams: December 16-18 W-F and 21-22 M-T
Commencement: December 20 Sunday
Final grades due: January 4, Monday

14 weeks of classes (14 M, T, W, Th and F)
1 week of final exams
1 week of registration/advising/development
5 working days of grading

J-Term: December 26-January 24 (January 18 is MLK Day)

Spring 2009-2010

Registration/advising/development: January 19-22, T-F

1st day of classes: January 25, Monday
Spring break: March 13-19, Sat-F
Last day of classes: May 7, Friday
Final exams: May 10-14, M-F
Commencement: May 15, Saturday
Final grades due: May 21, Friday

14 weeks of classes
1 week of final exams
1 week of registration/advising/development
5 working days of grading

Faculty contract period: August 24, 2009-May 23, 2010 (39 weeks)

Summer 2010

SS1 May 24-June 13 (include 1 Saturday)
SS2 June 14-July 4
SS3 July 5-July 25 (**classes begin on Tuesday, July 6**; include one Saturday)
SS4 July 26-August 15
SS5 August 16-August 22