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## Minutes of the UWRF Faculty Senate for August 21, 2006

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Representation	Term Expires 2007	<b>Term Expires 2008</b>	Term Expires 2009
		Laine Vignona(Kerry	
CAFES	Bob Baker	Keen)	
	Wes Chapin	Patricia Berg	
	Larry Harred**	John Heppen	-
CAS	Barbara Werner**		Peter Johansson**
COEPS		Ogden Rogers	Michael Miller
CBE			Glenn Potts
4th Division	Cara Rubis	Gregg Heinselman	Sarah Egerstrom
		Brenda Boetel (Jr)	Melissa Wilson (Jr)
	Karl Peterson (Jr)	Dawn Hukai (Sr)	John Walker (Sr)
At Large	Nan Jordahl (Sr)		Terry Ferris (Sr)
	Charlie Hurt*		

## Members:

\* Chancellor's Designee

\*\* Absent

() Substitute

**Call to Order:** W. Chapin called the meeting to order at 4:19 p.m.

Seating of Substitutes: Kerry Keen for Laine Vignona

Guests: Chancellor Don Betz, Vice-Chancellor Mary Halada,

**Approval of Minutes:** The meeting of the minutes from May 3, 2006 (Faculty Senate 2005-2006) and May 3, 2006 (Faculty Senate 2006-2007) were approved and corrected by general consent.

Chair's Report:

Committee Appointments: 1. The FS EC worked throughout the summer to ID all the various Senate, Faculty/Administrative, and Other University wide committees.
2. The appointments were made with an effort to limit new

appointments to one per person. **3**. A challenge was identifying the appropriate membership, especially when divisional or college-affiliation was required. **4**. Wes Chapin suggest that we think about the identity we wish to develop as faculty and whether or not requiring so many people on committees and mandating representation from so many areas is a net benefit. **5**. The last agenda item is a symbolic resolution designed to encourage new faculty to participate and to stop the knee-jerk reaction whenever an issue arises to "form a new committee." **Motions** signed by the Chancellor, 05-06 Senate: #25 re: the 08-09 calendar, #26 approving the Veterinary Technology emphasis to the Animal Science major, #27 to change the Recruitment and Initial appointment policy, #28 to change the freshmen and transfer requirements. For the 06-07 Senate, the Chancellor signed motion #1 appointing Ian Williams as the GE chair.

- Assessment: 1. There is an assessment workshop on the 31<sup>st</sup>. Given our crucial role in assessment I encourage you to attend. 2. Communicate to colleagues that assessment is not disappearing.
- Faculty Reps and BOR meetings: The main development is the drafting of dismissal and suspension policies (UWS 7 & 11). The BOR will vote on these at its October meeting and we are being asked to submit a resolution on this quickly. The FS EC will draft a recommendation and present it at our September 6 meeting.
- Strategic Planning: 1. The timeline is going to unfold very rapidly. 2. Role of the Senate: affirmation vote (8/21), goal setting meetings (8/23 and 24), update session (8/28), action plans sent to Senate committees and Senate by the end of October.

Vice-Chair's Report:

- Vice-Chair Rogers asked for volunteers for six open at-large positions on the termination committee and stressed that 12 nominations will be needed of professors with tenure
- Rogers reported that Senator John Walker has submitted his resignation to the Faculty Senate and that nominations will be needed for his at-large position (Sr.). Senator Walker will serve until his replacement is seated.

Chancellor Betz welcomed the Faculty Senate and announced that Provost Hurt will be his permanent designee to the Faculty Senate. Chancellor Betz addressed the importance of the NCA visit and announced that John Taylor will serve as the liaison with NCA. Chancellor Betz also repeated the importance of Strategic Planning and that the Faculty Senate will take a vanguard role.

Provost Hurt addressed the Faculty Senate and announced his willingness to work with the Senate and finding compromise and working within the committee structure.

Vice-Provost Halada addressed the Faculty Senate and spoke about the biannual budget, the H&HP project, and a future visit from the Division of State Facilities.

Patricia Berg asked Chancellor Betz about the strategic planning workshops and Chancellor Betz reiterated the main points from his university address that morning.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Proposal 1 to appoint Karl Peterson as Faculty Senate Parliamentarian was moved by Bob Baker and seconded by Ogden Rogers. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 2 to affirm the Vision, Mission, and Values Statement was moved by Nan Jordahl and seconded by Karl Peterson. O. Rogers asked Chancellor Betz to address the motion and Chancellor Betz restated the importance of the statement for strategic planning. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 3 to approve the 2006-2007 Faculty Senate Committees was moved by Bob Baker and seconded by Ogden Rogers. Greg Heinselman made a comment about how some titles and names have changed and Wes Chapin reported that all positions and titles were identified by the Faculty Handbook. Sarah Egerstrom repeated similar concerns. Dawn Hukai alerted the Senate to a misspelling. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 4 to affirm the Committee Charges to the 2006-2007 Faculty Senate Committees was moved by John Heppen and seconded by Glenn Potts. Nan Jordahl asked if these are replacing charges currently stated in the Faculty Handbook. Wes Chapin replied no and Ogden Rogers stated that these were consistent with the charges in the Faculty Handbook. Charlie Hurt stated that in the future changes to the committees and committee structure may happen in order to smooth-over the committee structure. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 5 to affirm the Governance Resolution was moved by Greg Heinselman and seconded by Bob Baker. Dawn Hukai asked about other levels of service. Wes Chapin, Charlie Hurt, and Ogden Rogers stated that all types of service are valuable and important and this document does not diminish other types of service. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: Bob Baker moved and Karl Peterson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:20pm. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

John Heppen Secretary of the UW-River Falls Faculty Senate