



Minutes of the UWRF Faculty Senate for January 31, 2007

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

* Chancellor's Designee

** Absent

() Substitute

Call to Order: W. Chapin called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m in the Room 334 of the University Center.

Seating of Substitutes: David Furniss for Patricia Berg, Valerie Malzacher for Bob Baker

Guests: none

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of January 16, 2007 were approved as corrected by general consent.

Chair's Report:

- Wes Chapin announced the issues concerning the workplace violence policy and Criminal Background Investigations have been sent to the FWPP committee.

- Wes Chapin announced that he has asked the registrar's office to provide data concerning late grades being turned in by faculty for the Fall semester 2006 in order to determine if this is a problem. Additionally, the issue may be turned over to Academic Standards.
- The Chancellor has signed all recently passed motions except for Motion 38 regarding new transmittal forms. The form regarding graduate courses needs to be updated to reflect an administrative change. This will be handled under New Business Miscellaneous.
- The University has received a formal request for the Reserve Officer Training Corps program to be established on campus. The issue will be referred to APP.
- Wes Chapin reported that Executive Committee as part of the Strategic Planning Prioritization Committee has not met with the administration yet. The Faculty Senate may be voting on the prioritization process in February.
- The Executive Committee has referred a motion for the Recruitment and Retention Committee regarding letters of financial aid suspension in order to clarify what that means for students.
- Wes Chapin reported on the upcoming faculty senate elections. He reported that teaching academic staff who teach in the graduate program and are not in any college are currently counted as members of the Fourth Division. After discussion it was suggested that in New Business Miscellaneous an ad hoc committee be created from members of Faculty Senate to address this issue.
- Wes Chapin reported that there is some confusion on campus about the +/- grading system. After discussion, Wes Chapin stated that the Executive Committee will refer the issue to Academic Standards for clarification and perhaps a recommendation to change the system or issue a clarification through a Faculty Senate motion.

Vice Chair's Report: Ogden Rogers reported that the election process for next year's Faculty Senate will begin soon.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: none

New Business Miscellaneous:

Proposal 1: A motion from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee to amend something previously amended was first and seconded by Ogden Rogers and David Furniss respectively. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee moves to amend Motion 38. The amendment will replace the terms Director of Graduate Studies and "Graduate Studies"

with term Assistant Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs on the TRANSMITTAL OF GRADUATE COURSE PROPOSAL. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposal 2: A motion to create an ad hoc committee to examine the issue of Faculty Senate representation and to place Ogden Rogers, Melissa Wilson (Chair), and Terry Ferriss on the committee was first and seconded by Michael Miller and David Furniss. The charge of the committee is to examine the placement of teaching academic staff in the graduate program in the category of Fourth Division instead of the four colleges for representative purposes in the Faculty Senate as is currently practiced. The ad hoc committee is to determine if those teaching academic staff actually should belong in one of the colleges for representative purposes since they do teach courses that are housed in one of the four colleges. The ad hoc committee is requested to report back to the Faculty Senate with a recommendation as soon as possible. The motion passed by general consent.

Adjournment: The chair moved to adjourn at 4:30pm. John Heppen seconded and it passed by general consent.

Respectfully Submitted by

John Heppen Secretary of UWRF Faculty Senate.