To: Dean Van Galen, Chancellor  
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From: David Rainville, Chair  
Faculty Senate  
University of Wisconsin-River Falls

December 21, 2009

RE: UW-RF Faculty Senate Motion 2009/2010/27

At the November 18, 2009 meeting of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty senate, motion 2009-2010/27 was passed and is effective immediately. This motion is forwarded for your action.

A motion to form an ad hoc committee to explore possible constitutional changes related to representation, voting rights, and related issues:
Whereas there has been significant debate regarding the role of academic staff on Faculty Senate,
Recognizing the critically important contributions that academic staff make to the University,
Seeking a positive resolution of the issues that have been raised by the recently proposed constitutional referendum,

The Faculty Senate hereby moves to
1. create an ad hoc “Committee on Constitutional Issues” with a membership that reflects the relative representation of the various divisions on the Faculty Senate (i.e. 3 CAS, 1 CAFES, 1 CEPS, 1 CBE, 2 FD, and the Student Senate President or designee);
2. include at least one instructional academic staff member on the committee (if practical);
3. charge said committee to review the issues raised by the proposed constitutional amendment, and to make appropriate reports and recommendations to the Faculty Senate;
4. provide a sunset to the ad hoc committee of May 1, 2010.

Approved

Disapproved

Dean Van Galen, Chancellor

2/10/10 Date