Date: October 6, 2008
To: Faculty Senate and University Community
From: David P. Rainville, Faculty Senate Chair
Subject: Agenda for Faculty Senate Meeting October 8, 2008

The 2008-2009 Faculty Senate will meet on Wednesday, October 8, 2008 at 3:30 P.M. in the Willow River Room (334 UC) of the University Center. Faculty Senators who cannot attend should arrange for a substitute and notify Kristina Hiney at Kristina.hiney@uwrf.edu.

Call to Order:
   Seating of Substitutes
   Approval of Minutes October 24, 2008.

Reports:
   Chairs Report
   Vice Chairs Report
   Other Reports

Unfinished Business:

New Business Consent Agenda:

1. Program Change in the Economics Major
2. Appointment of Robin Murray and Magdalena Pala to the Audit and Review Committee (appointments are for three years) 2008-2011.
4. Appointment of Tracey Gladstone-Sovell to serve as the Provost designee (ex officio) on the Assessment Committee

New Business:

1. **First Reading** of a motion from the Academic Program and Policy Committee to amend its membership to include the Registrar or designee as an *ex officio* (non voting) member. As this is a change in the by-laws, it requires two readings. The old and new descriptions are included below:
Old description:

Article III: Standing Committees

Section A – Academic Program and Policy Committee

1. Membership: Nine faculty (at least three of whom are members of the graduate faculty and who are affirmed by the Graduate Council), the Provost and Vice Chancellor or the Provost and Vice Chancellor’s designee, and four students.

New description:

Article III: Standing Committees

Section A – Academic Program and Policy Committee

1. Membership: Nine faculty (at least three of whom are members of the graduate faculty and who are affirmed by the Graduate Council), the Provost and Vice Chancellor or the Provost and Vice Chancellor’s designee, four students, and the Registrar or his/her designee as a non voting member.

2. A motion from the Executive Committee to appoint the chairs of the Assessment Committee (Joy Benson), Faculty Welfare and Personnel Policies Committee (Brad Mogen), and the Instructional and Learning Technologies Committee (Marina Onken) (sub committee of the Instructional and Learning technologies Council) to the Data Quality Management Team. This is a new Administrative Committee as explained below. These appointments will be for the 2008-2009 academic year. A description of the committee is included below.

Data Quality Management Team

Purpose

The DQT is a standing committee of the University appointed by the Chancellor to enhance and strengthen evidenced-based management decision-making. This includes activities, such as data collection, application, and usage that are comprehensive, ongoing, and systematic in nature. The Committee 1) assists in promoting a data quality culture; 2) assists in formulating and establishing procedures, guidelines, and standards for quality data; 3) promotes and adopts best practices e.g. uniform data entry methods and setting workable timelines for internal and external data requests and reporting; 4) assists in identifying and developing data methods, procedures, and/or instruments, as well as solving data of the UWRF; 5) serves as a resource for and among various operational units of the University; and 6) in recognition of individual rights and
protection from infringement of privacy laws, the DQT abides and works in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 as amended (1998), which established such laws and policies of the UWRF.

3. A motion from the Executive Committee to create an ad hoc Faculty Senate Committee charged with creating the Initiatives and Tasks for Goal 4: Develop Engaged Leaders of the UWRF Strategic Plan.

Goal 4: Develop Engaged Leaders

UWRF will create an institutional culture that teaches, promotes and rewards leadership that positively impacts external and internal communities.

The Committee will consist of the following members: Gregg Hadley (CAFES), Dennis Cooper (CAFES), Neil Kraus (CAS), Michelle Parkinson (CAS), Claire Killian (CBE), Joy Benson (CBE), Mark Gillen (COEPS), Michael Miller (COEPS), Amy Lloyd (Student Affairs), Donna Robole (Human Resources), Blake Fry (Chancellor's Office), and Carmen Croonquist (Career, Counseling and Health Services). Blake Fry will be responsible for calling the first meeting with the committee electing its chair.

The committee will report back to Faculty Senate no later than December 1, 2008. It will be disbanded with the approval of the Initiatives and Tasks by Faculty Senate.

4. A motion from the Executive Committee to change Article II of the Constitution of the UW-River Falls Faculty. It is proposed that the word lecturers be replaced with instructors. This is a technical change to be in compliance with the UW System definition of Faculty Ranks.

Old Language:

Article II - Definition of the Faculty

Faculty shall be defined to include the Chancellor, all professors, associate professors, assistant professors, and lecturers. Academic staff were granted "faculty status" by action of the Faculty Senate and the Chancellor on July 29, 1975 and Sept. 16, 1975, respectively.

New Language:

Article II - Definition of the Faculty

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action of the Faculty Senate and the Chancellor on July 29, 1975 and Sept. 16, 1975, respectively.

Miscellaneous New Business:

1. Keith G. Wurtz Award for Teaching Excellence
2. Administrative Evaluations

Adjournment