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

April 25, 2013

RE: UWRF Faculty Senate Resolution 2012-13/5

At the April 24, 2013 meeting of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty Senate, this resolution was passed, and is being forwarded to you.

Resolution from the United Falcons (AFT Local 6504) regarding Reduced Event Pricing
(placed onto the agenda as per the Constitution, Article VI, Section D, sub-section 12e: “A petition signed by no fewer than twelve (12) faculty members”)

WHEREAS, a university is a community of faculty, staff, and students;

WHEREAS, interactions between these groups promote and enhance community;

WHEREAS, activities such as theater, concerts, and athletics are places where community meets and is strengthened;

WHEREAS, community membership and engagement is accepted as a key factor for student retention as well as faculty and staff satisfaction;

WHEREAS, interactions between faculty and students especially outside the formal classroom setting have been shown to develop community and improve student retention;

WHEREAS, the University both locally and statewide is concerned about the retention of students;

BE IT RESOLVED, that opportunities for shared experiences and community outside the formal classroom should be encouraged as one method of improving retention;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that facilitating the described interactions is a logical and fruitful activity for the campus, faculty and staff should be encouraged to attend theater, concerts, and athletic events by setting the prices for these groups at the same level as the students thus encouraging the formation and strengthening of the UWRF community and addressing the retention issue.