To: Don Betz, Chancellor  
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From: David Rainville, Chair  
Faculty Senate  
University of Wisconsin-River Falls  

RE: UW-RF Faculty Senate Motion 2007/2008/13  

At the November 7, 2007 meeting of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty senate, motion 2007-2008/13 was passed. This motion is forwarded for your action.

A motion brought forth from the General Education committee.
   a) to remove item d. from the Committee Functions, Handbook CH. 3, Section K.2.
   b) to change the non-voting membership of the committee, as described in the Handbook, Ch. 3, Section K.1.
   c)  

Text changes as well as description follow below.

To change the non-voting membership on the General Education Committee to remove the representatives from the Assessment Committee, Academic Policy and Programs Committee, and the Library, and add the Assessment Coordinator.

It will now read “Non-voting representatives will include the Assessment Coordinator and representatives from the Registrar’s office and the office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.”

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Approved

Disapproved

Don Beaz, Chancellor

Date 12/7/07