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Agenda, February 2, 2011

Call to Order: 3:33 p.m., Willow River Room, UC

1. Seating of Substitutes
   Paul Shirilla for Hilary Pollack

A motion to approve the seating of substitutes was made by Dennis Cooper; it was seconded by Marshall Toman. The motion carried unanimously (20 of 20 voting members present at this point in the meeting).
2. Approval of the minutes from the December 1, 2010 meeting of the Faculty Senate

The minutes of the December 1, 2010 Faculty Senate meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dawn Hukai; it was seconded by Barbara Stinson. The motion carried unanimously (21 of 21 voting members present at this point in the meeting).

Reports:
Chair’s Report (James Madsen, CAS)
I want to start by acknowledging the passing of Associate Professor of Music Hilree Hamilton last semester. The life celebration held for her in the fall was a moving reminder of the impact faculty members have on students and in the community. Her students’ performances and words were moving testimonials of the best things we do at UWRF. Hilree Hamilton and her husband, Kyle Brokken, requested gifts and memorials be made to either the UWRF CHILD Center or the Hilree Hamilton Music Education Scholarships. Hilree volunteered regularly as "The Music Lady" by working with young persons at the CHILD Center and, of course, the faculty will be well-aware of her many significant contributions to the University. The Music Department and the UWRF Foundation have established the "Hilree Hamilton Music Education Scholarship" based on a generous gift Hilree made to UWRF. Scholarships will be awarded beginning next year to outstanding continuing students in Music Education. Please, make any donations to:

"UWRF Foundation - Hilree Hamilton CHILD Center"

or

"UWRF Foundation - Hilree Hamilton Music Education Scholarship"

The Student Senate has approved a differential tuition increase that will be phased in over three years if approved by the UW Board of Regents. The additional tuition will rise from $72.00 to $160.00 per year for a full time student. The money will be used for tutoring (10%), UG Research (30%), Scholarships (30%), and Enhanced Learning Spaces (30%).

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee has put together an overview of some of the items that will be covered this spring in Faculty Senate. Please, note we need to add an additional meeting on April 27, 2011 to meet with the Master Plan Consultants and to vote on the next strategic planning process. The important dates for the spring election are also listed.

I distributed an update on the strategic plan planning process. Multiple groups central to the development and implementation of the current Living the Promise strategic plan have been contacted for their input. The final strategic planning process will be brought to Faculty Senate for approval at the April 27, 2011 meeting. I will be putting out a request for nominations for a faculty member to serve on the Strategic Planning
Coordination Group. I hope to have a candidate for approval at the next Faculty Senate meeting.

Vice Chair’s Report (Dawn Hukai, CBE)
Dawn Hukai gave an update regarding the schedule for divisional and at-large elections as well as for the Termination Committee to take place this spring. She also discussed the outlook in terms of changes that may be coming related to the number of senators to represent each college and the 4th Division based on the number of FTE’s in each area and the formula used to calculate the number of senators accordingly. The interpretation of the a “major portion thereof” in the Constitution was clarified.

Other Reports
No other reports were presented at this meeting.

Unfinished Business:
1. Motion from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee (James Madsen, Chair) to appoint Gretchen Link (4th Division) to chair the ad hoc Committee on Constitutional Reform (Action was postponed at the 12-1-2010 Faculty Senate meeting)

A motion to appoint Gretchen Link (4th Division) to chair the ad hoc Committee on Constitutional Reform was made by Wes Chapin; it was seconded by Kristie Feist. A motion was then made by Dennis Cooper to postpone action on the previous motion until the February 16, 2011 meeting of the Faculty Senate; Laine Vignona seconded the motion. The motion carried (21 yeas; 0 neas; 1 abstention).

The executive committee will try to identify a faculty member willing to serve as a non-voting chair of the ad hoc Committee on Constitutional Reform and bring that recommendation back for approval at the February 16, 2011 Faculty Senate meeting.

New Business:
1. Motion from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee (James Madsen, Chair) to appoint Brad Mogen (CAS), Steve Kelm (CAFES), and Brian Schultz (CBE) as the faculty representatives to the UPG Steering Committee.

A motion to accept the recommended appointments to the UPG Steering Committee as outlined above was made by Dawn Hukai; it was seconded by Jennifer Willis-Rivera. John Heppen then moved to separate out votes for each of the recommended persons; it was seconded by Marshall Toman. This motion did not carry (7 yeas; 11 neas; 4 abstentions). A return to the original motion then occurred; the original motion carried (21 yeas; 0 neas; 1 abstention).
2. Motion from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee (James Madsen, Chair) to approve Gregg Hadley (CAFES; Chair), Travis Tubrê (CAS), Sharyl Samargia (CEPS), Wei Zheng (CBE), David Milne (CAS), Karl Peterson (CAS), and Molly Van Wagner (Grants/Research) to serve on the Chancellor’s Task Force on Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity.

Other proposed members (not to be voted on by Faculty Senate):
   Student: Tim Morris (SURCA president)
   Ex-Officio: Bill Campbell (retired, UWRF; current advisor and president of the Council on Undergraduate Research)

A motion to accept the recommended appointments to the Chancellor’s Task Force on Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity as outlined above was made by Kristie Feist; it was seconded by Hossein Najafi. The motion carried unanimously (22 of 22 voting members present at this point in the meeting).

3. Motion from the Academic Programs & Policy Committee (Jim Zimmerman, Chair) to approve the suspension of the Food Science and Technology major in CAFES

After extensive discussion, a motion to approve the suspension of the Food Science and Technology major was made by Dennis Cooper; it was seconded by Brad Mogen. The motion carried (15 yeas; 4 neas; 1 abstention).

4. Motion from the Faculty Compensation Committee (Stephen Olsen, Chair) to approve the Salary Adjustment Plan

A motion to approve the Salary Adjustment Plan as recommended by the Faculty Compensation Committee was made by Marshall Toman; it was seconded by Jennifer Willis-Rivera. John Heppen moved to amend the motion to exclude non-UW System peer institutions in the supporting document and to replace them with UW System four-year institutions; no one seconded the amendment. Thus, the amendment failed.

Dennis Cooper then moved to change language in item #4 under the “Guidelines to Implement the Motion” section of the supporting document. Specifically, Dr. Cooper moved to change the language from “three years” to “seven years,” with the item now reading: “A faculty member receiving a distribution will be eligible for consideration again SEVEN years after receiving the distribution” (emphasis added); Hossein Najafi seconded this motion. This motion did not carry (2 yeas; 15 neas; 0 abstentions).

David Rainville moved to correct various capitalization issues in the supporting document; Dennis Cooper seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously (17 of 17 voting members present at this point in the meeting).
Faculty Senate subsequently returned to the original motion. The original motion carried unanimously (17 of 17 of voting members present at this point in the meeting).

Adjournment:
A motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Cooper; it was seconded by Jennifer Willis-Rivera. The motion carried (15 yeas; 2 neas; 0 abstentions). The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Since the meeting was adjourned, there was no action on item #5 under New Business.

5. Motion from the Information and Instructional Technology Council (Brad Mogen, Chair) to reconfigure the Information and Instructional Technology Council committee structure (Second reading)

Miscellaneous New Business:
No miscellaneous new business was addressed at this meeting.