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Agenda, April 6, 2011

Call to Order: 3:35 p.m., Willow River Room, UC

1. Seating of Substitutes
   - Larry Harred for Patricia Berg
   - Nan Jordahl for Fernando Delgado
   - Travis Tubré for Jennifer Willis-Rivera

A motion to approve the seating of substitutes as outlined above was made by Robyne Tiedeman; it was seconded by Michael Middleton. The motion carried unanimously (20 of 20 voting members present at this point in the meeting).
2. Approval of the minutes from the March 2, 2011, March 9, 2011, and March 23, 2011 meetings of the Faculty Senate

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2011, March 9, 2011, and March 23, 2011 meetings of the Faculty Senate was made by David Rainville; it was seconded by Barbara Stinson. The motion carried (19 yeas; 0 neas; 1 abstention of voting members present at this point in the meeting).

Reports:
Chair’s Report (James Madsen, CAS)
First, I would like to commend the Faculty Compensation Committee (Stephen Olsen, Chair) for its work on the $100,000 salary distribution plan, and I would also like to thank the Deans of the various colleges and Vice Chancellor Harbouk and his staff for implementing the plan in a timely manner. Oversight of the plan, together of requested report, was provided by UWRF auditor, Richard Stinson. This report was provided to the members of Faculty Senate with the agenda for today’s meeting and it will accompany the official minutes that are generated from the current Faculty Senate meeting.

At this point in the meeting, several senators discussed and then asked questions about the salary distribution process. Subsequently, Laigne Vignona made a motion to have the list of tenure track faculty members, their salaries, and CIP scores used as part of the salary distribution decision-making process released to the Faculty Senate for informational purposes; David Rainville seconded this motion. The motion carried (13 yeas; 0 neas; 8 abstentions of voting members present at this point in this meeting).

I also wanted to speak briefly to a potential separation of the Madison campus from the UW-System. Such an action would affect the entire system and the UWRF campus in significant ways. Ongoing vigilance regarding this matter and discussions need to take place. UW-System President Kevin Reilly and Michael Morgan, Senior Vice President for Administration and Fiscal Affairs, will arrive in the evening of April 18, 2011 and they will be on campus April 19, 2011 to discuss this and other issues affecting UWRF, higher education, and the future of the UW System. Faculty Senators will meet with Present Reilly and Senior Vice President Morgan at lunch at noon on April 19, 2011, in addition to the open forums that will take place during their visit.

Finally, per the request of Faculty Senate, I recently sought clarification as to the process graduate education programs follow when requesting approval of program changes. What I learned is, per university policy, graduate education programs present their proposed changes to the Graduate Council for initial approval versus a college curriculum committee as is the case with undergraduate programs. Changes approved by the Graduate Council are then forwarded to the Academic Programs and Policy (AP&P) Committee for its consideration before they are sent to Faculty Senate for its action. Revised transmittal forms for graduate courses have been prepared by the AP&P.

David Rainville stated that these forms need to be approved by the Faculty Senate. They will be brought for consideration at the next Faculty Senate meeting.
Vice Chair’s Report (Dawn Hukai, CBE)
At-large election ballots have been distributed across campus as appropriate and they are due back to Polly Kleven in 116 North Hall by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 15, 2011. The counting of these ballots will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 18, 2011 in the University Communications conference room (120 North Hall). This ballot-counting meeting is open - any and all persons are invited to attend.

Other Reports
Proposed Textbook Rental Program Management Changes (See attached)
Gregg Heinselman (Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs) discussed a proposed plan to transition the current Textbook Rental Program from a self-operated model to a contracted service under the auspices of the UWRF Bookstore, which is currently managed by Follett Higher Education Group. Faculty senators had an opportunity to discuss and to ask questions about this proposal.

A motion was made by Dennis Cooper to have the Learning Resources Committee (Magdalena Pala, Chair) to evaluate and to make recommendations about this proposed plan and to report back to Faculty Senate prior to the last meeting of the current Faculty Senate (i.e., May 4, 2011); Dawn Hukai seconded this motion. The motion carried (19 yeas; 0 neas; 2 abstentions).

Calendar Committee Report (Karl Peterson, Chair)
Karl Peterson outlined the process taken by the Calendar Committee in drafting the 2013-2014 academic calendar, including the review and incorporate of policies pertaining to when final grades are due. The proposed calendar in front of Faculty Senate today for its consideration was crafted with this and other relevant policies in mind.

Faculty Welfare Committee Report (Brad Mogen, Chair)
Brad Mogen presented the activities and discussions that have been addressed by this committee throughout the current academic year, including parking fees; the increased use of Disability Services by students and the resulting implications on faculty members; the potential for online student evaluations; retention portfolio issues; workload issues; the impact of the proposed state budget on faculty welfare; amongst others.

Unfinished Business:
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 on this item was postponed at the 12-1-2010 meeting.

Consent agenda items:
1. Motions from to approve the following program/curriculum changes (documents attached):
   A. Changes to TED Technology for Teachers Curriculum (document attached)
B. Changes to CEPS Graduate Program---Counseling: (documents attached to 3/23/2011 Agenda)
   a) Remove SPSY 769 from the list of possible electives
   b) Move COUN 770 from elective to a required course within the program
   c) Remove Ted 614 from the list of possible electives
   d) Increase the total number of credits within the Counseling program from 40 (current) to 45 (proposed)

   a) Eliminate SPED 620 from the required course sequence.
   b) Revise the scheduling/placement of SPSY 740, placing the course in Spring of the students 3rd year rather than a summer offering.
   c) Move the placement of SPSY 747 from spring of students’ 3rd year to spring of their 2nd year.
   d) Require students to take three one-credit SPSY 785 Seminar in School Psychology credits during the summer following the completion of the two-year Master’s degree.

The consent agenda passed by consensus.

New Business:

1. Proposed 2013-2014 Academic Calendar from the Faculty Senate Calendar Committee (Karl Peterson, Chair)

   A motion to accept the proposed 2013-2014 academic calendar was made by Wes Chapin; it was seconded by Kristie Feist. The motion carried unanimously (21 of 21 voting members at this point in the meeting).

2. Discussion on lessons learned from current Living the Promise strategic plan: What worked, what did not work, and how can we use this information to develop the next strategic planning process?

   Joseph Harbouk (Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance) presented an update on the status of the pre-planning process for the next strategic plan. The floor then opened up for general discussion as to what worked and what did not work in the previous strategic planning process. Issues raised to consider include:

   1. Ensuring diversity and inclusion is infused throughout not only the new strategic plan, but in the process of developing the plan. Include Andriel Dees in the plan development process, amongst others.
2. Keep in mind long-term versus short-term issues in the development of the next strategic plan. For example, the current budget crisis should not hijack the planning process and the plan that is ultimately developed.

3. What ever comes out of this plan should connect with the general energy of the campus. For example, the previous strategic planning process was a labor and time-intensive process. There was a lot of good energy surrounding the plan development process but it was intensive. Given the current climate on campus, the planning process should be more focused, streamlined, and mindful of this climate and the stress on faculty.

4. Keep in mind an emphasis on student learning in the plan. Student learning should be the central focus of the next plan and plan development process.

5. Overarching planning assumptions should be taken into consideration in the plan development process (e.g., Where are we going and how will the answer to this question be included in plan development?).

6. Make sure we don’t repeat mistakes made in previous iterations of past plans/guiding documents (e.g., Reach for the Future). Make discussions and planning as open a process as possible, make broader campus participation a priority.

7. Be cautious in the embracement of online programs as we move forward in terms of a vision and a focus.

8. Convene a group that includes, students, and other parties to discuss a vision as we move forward.

9. We run the risk of faculty burnout in the plan development process. The plan development needs to be focused

10. Don’t waste money on outside consultants.

11. A primary goal of this institution should be on the local community and this value should not get lost in the plan development process.

12. The first step should be identifying who we are and what we stand for.

13. Student involvement needs to be considered in this process.

**Miscellaneous New Business:**

1. Technology Council Restructuring Reconsideration: Final amended motion as voted on at the March 23, 2011 meeting of the Faculty Senate (attached)
Hossein Najafi made a motion to reconsider the original motion as amended at the previous meeting of the Faculty Senate; Brad Mogen seconded this motion. The motion carried (18 yeas; 1 nea; 1 abstention of voting members present at this point in the meeting).

Hossein Najafi made a motion to amend Section O: II-Technology Services Committee and Section O: III-University Web Committee membership items 2. a. to Chair of Technology Services Committee (DoTS – CIO Appointment) and 2. b. to Vice-Chair of Technology Services Committee (faculty member appointed by Faculty Senate); Brad Mogen seconded this motion. The motion carried (11 yeas; 9 neas; 0 abstention of voting members present at this point in the meeting).

Robyne Tiedeman made a motion to amend Section O-Technology Council 2. h. to Vice-Chair of the University Web Committee and 2.i. to Vice-Chair of the Technology Services Committee; David Rainville seconded this motion. The motion carried (14 yeas; 2 neas; 4 abstentions of voting members present at this point in the meeting).

The motion as amended carried (18 yeas; 2 neas; 0 abstentions of voting members present at this point in the meeting).

Adjournment:
A motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Cooper; it was seconded by Robyne Tiedeman. The motion carried unanimously (20 of 20 voting members at this point in the meeting). The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.