Call to Order at 1:05 p.m.

Minutes of the September 30, 2009 and October 14, 2009 Executive Committee Meetings: These will be discussed at the next meeting.

Reports

Chair David Rainville reported that he will be attending the upcoming Faculty Representatives meeting. He was also part of a teleconference last Friday with Kevin Reilly concerning a group called the Competitive Compensation Working Group.

Unfinished Business

1. Engaged Leaders, Goal 4 - Claire Killian: Rainville said he has not heard anything new about this item.
2. Special Election for Vacant Faculty Senate Seat (Junior At-large): There is one nominee for this seat. Ballots will be going out as soon as possible.
3. Grade Changes: There is no new information on this subject.
4. Salary Letters: Information regarding the progress of salary letters from Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance Lisa Wheeler was shared.
5. Workshop on Policies and Procedures for Faculty Senate: Dennis Cooper said he believes doing this would be good for people who are new to the University. He also said there should be a seminar on academic freedom.
6. Organizing and Educational Committee for Forum on Collective Bargaining: This ad hoc committee is in the process of organizing. There was a discussion of possible committee volunteers.
7. Reorganization of IT Services: Cooper asked what a positive outcome of this problem would be. Rainville replied that until the report on the issue is seen, that is unknown.

New Business

1. Minutes of the October 21, 2009 Faculty Senate Meeting: Kris Hiney has these.
2. Advising Survey for Teacher Education: This will be reported on at the next Faculty Senate meeting.
3. Program Change from AP&P - MA in TESOL: This will be on the next Faculty Senate agenda.
4. Honors Program and Academic Programs: The Honors Program was not included in the Program Prioritization process as an academic program. This was brought up at a recent Academic Programs & Policies Committee meeting. Discussions regarding possible changes for the Honors Program were discussed. This will be discussed at the next meeting with senior administration as to where it should properly be housed.
5. Search and Screen Committee for Director of Graduate Studies: A charge from the Provost on this item is forthcoming. Dennis Cooper will be in charge of putting together this committee.

6. Constitutional Referendum and Voting Lists: The Constitution mandates that this referendum must go forward. Rainville will be creating the referendum ballots, which will be color-coded.

7. Agenda for Faculty Senate Meeting, November 4, 2009

Miscellaneous New Business

1. Meetings with Senior Administration:

   **Title:** Faculty Senate Executive Committee with Senior Administration

   **Title:** Faculty Senate Executive Committee with Senior Administration
   **Thursday, November 05, 2009**
   **Time:** 9:00 am to 10:30 am (CST6CDT)
   **Location:** North Hall Conference Room

   **Title:** Faculty Senate Executive Committee with Senior Administration
   **Friday, November 13, 2009**
   **Time:** 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm (CST6CDT)
   **Location:** North Hall Conference Room

   **Title:** Faculty Senate Executive Committee with Senior Administration
   **Friday, December 04, 2009**
   **Time:** 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm (CST6CDT)
   **Location:** North Hall Conference Room

2. Campus Racial Incident – Dean Van Galen: Chancellor Van Galen addressed the Executive Committee with an update about the racial graffiti found on campus over the weekend. He noted that this threat will be taken very seriously, and plans are in place to ensure security on campus. He said meetings with groups of the threatened students have taken place as well.

3. Special Falcon Daily – Craig Morris: Craig Morris addressed the Executive Committee on behalf of the Chancellor, discussing the wording of a special Falcon Daily.

4. Resolution – Todd Savage: “Whereas, the University of Wisconsin-River Falls (UWRF) is dedicated to creating and maintaining a culture of learning and to foster a culture of inclusiveness; and

   Whereas, UWRF core values include Integrity, Inclusion, and Community; and

   Whereas, recent racist and threatening vandalism in the Chalmer Davee Library has inflicted harm upon the African-American, Black, Asian-American, and Asian members of the UWRF campus community, as well as the River Falls community as a whole; and
Whereas, when even one individual or group of people is vulnerable to harm and injustice, every individual or group of people is rendered vulnerable; and

Whereas, this horrific act and ensuing vulnerability has affected the members of the UWRF campus community in carrying out duties that contribute to the fulfillment of the institutional mission of creating a culture of learning, of fostering a culture of inclusiveness, and thus, of the welfare of its students, administration, faculty, instructional academic staff, academic staff, and classified staff;

Be it resolved, that the UWRF Faculty Senate Executive Committee condemns all forms of hatred, including this cowardly attack on African-American, Black, Asian-American, and Asian citizens and our campus community, and vows its support in contributing to a campus climate that is inclusive, valuing, and supportive of all members of the campus community.

Dated this 28th day of October in the year 2009.”

Approval of this resolution was moved by John Heppen and seconded by Dennis Cooper. The resolution was passed unanimously.

Upon further reflection, the resolution was amended to read:

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Approval of the motion as amended was unanimous.

John Heppen moved, and Todd Savage seconded, adjournment. There was no dissention.

Adjournment at 3:13 p.m.