

NOTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE COMBINED SENATES
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STOUT
OCTOBER 2, 2007
BALLROOM A
2:30 P.M.

Jerry Kapus, Chair of the Faculty Senate, welcomed everyone at 2:32 p.m.

- I. Chancellor's Report - The Chancellor Sorensen reported that the state's budget is not finalized yet. According to Doug Mell, leadership is saying that the budget will be finalized in mid to late October. There is a lot of energy on campus. The listening sessions have been good, and the attendance has been high.
- II. Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs' Report
 - A. Laptop Rollout: Jane Henderson discussed the E-Scholar Program Update handout, and thanked everyone who assisted in the deployment of the laptops. The average wait time to receive a laptop was eight minutes. Issues regarding the differences between Office 2003 and Office 2007 were brought up. Doug Wahl said that students have been informed to download Office 2007. There is minimal training available to learn Office 2007, but online tutorials are available. Since there isn't an easy way to communicate between Office 2007 users and MAC users, there are difficulties exchanging between the two systems. The easiest way is to save it in an XP format. Chair Kapus mentioned that this can be brought up at the listening sessions.
 - B. Early Alert: tabled until October 16, 2007
- III. Vice Chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Services' Report

Vice Chancellor Diane Moen gave an overview of what the administration is doing.

 - A. NSSE Report: Meridith Wentz highlighted the Executive Summary from the NSSE Report. The goal is to meet or exceed the Carnegie benchmarks. Chancellor Sorensen stated that this information is critical.
 - B. UCLA Survey: Meridith Wentz passed around the 2004 Faculty Higher Education Research Institute, UCLA survey. This survey is given every three years. The primary interest to of this survey is work load and teaching practices, not political views. However, these questions cannot be taken off the survey. She mentioned that the political questions be left blank.
 - C. Dual Choice (Mary Kay Sankey highlight = distributed electronically. There will be no increase in the tier amounts. Humana Western will move from tier two to tier one with significant provider changes. An application is only needed if you change plans or if you change from single to family or family to single.
- IV. Career Conference - Joshua Fox and Steve Anderson, co-chairs of the career conference, discussed the highlights of the conference which will be held at UW-Stout on October 9th, 10th and 11th. There will be 291 employers participating, which is the highest number of employers to ever participate. Students and faculty are encouraged to attend. All employers will be given the UW-Stout New Polytechnic Designation glossy.
- V. Information and Announcements

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
OCTOBER 2, 2007
BALLROOM A
(Following Meeting of the Combined Senates)

ATTENDANCE:

CHAIR:	Jerry Kapus	SECRETARY:	Ned Weckmueller
VICE CHAIR:	Forrest Schultz (Interim)	PAST CHAIR:	Forrest Schultz

PRESENT: Michelle Barfoot, Paul Calenberg, Julia Champe, Steve Cole, Kevin Doll, Barb Flom, Mike Galloy, Petre Ghenciu, Anne Hoel, Renee Howarton, Lamin Kassama, Alec Kirby, Michael Martin, Adel Mekraz, Marcia Miller-Rodeberg, Phillip Motley, Steve Nold, Ruth Nyland, Bruce Pamperin, Cynthia Rohrer, John Rompala, Scott Springer, Julianne Taylor

EXCUSED: Brian Bergquist, Tamara Brantmeier, Gindy Neidermyer, Amy Schlieve, Steve Terry

GUESTS: Chancellor Sorensen, Dennis Vanden Bloomen (PPC), Claudia Johnston (Graduate Studies)

I. Call to Order - 3:10 p.m.

II. Announcements and Information - The person who owns a course is the person who writes the course description. Wisconsin is one of the only states that has intellectual copyrights. The whole life survey return was approximately 56%. The Major Senate and University Committee ballots are out. The deadline to return ballots is Friday, October 5th at 4:30 p.m. Chair Kapus attended the Faculty Representative's meeting in Madison on September 28. Each UW System campus has one faculty representative, usually the Faculty Senate chair. The faculty representative acts as a liaison among the faculty, UW system, and board of regents. UW-System will oversee the Voluntary System of Accountability. Each campus is responsible for the information that is provided about their campus. This includes a report on how each university is doing based on a survey given to freshmen and then seniors. Providing information is voluntary, because it is not required by the federal government. It is important to clearly provide information surveyed and additional information not surveyed. Kevin Reilly has decreed this. It was asked if there could be a streamlined procedure to speed up the process to create a major (if a minor already exists). The Strategic Framework consists of: 1. Preparing Students (Jerry Kapus), 2. How can we produce more graduates, 3. High Paying Jobs (Bob Meyer), 4. Stronger Communities, 5. Resources (Diane Moen), 6. Operational Excellence, 7. Collaborations. Each committee has two months to accomplish a report. Forrest Schultz distributed the Faculty Senate Election for University Committees ballots. Faculty senate members voted and returned their ballots at the end of the meeting.

- A. Promotion Quotas for 2008-2009– Chair Kapus stated Provost Furst-Bowe's 2008-09 promotion quotas (Attachment 3).
- B. Number of Dahlgren Professorships for 2008-09
- C. CHD's Response to Models (Attachment 4)

III. Minutes of September 18, 2007 (Attachment 5)

Motion: Martin/Galloy moved to approve the Minutes of September 18, 2007.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

IV. Committee Reports

- A. Other – votes on faculty representatives.

V. Old Business

- A. Faculty Workload (- Chair Kapus; Attachment 5)

A discussion on studio and labs weren't specified as part of the workload definition. Vanden Bloomen discussed the "teaching activity" on the system level. The definition is vague, so it isn't restricting. Three hours of labs and three hours of lecture equals four credits. Forrest says that some faculty thinks this should be specific and spelled out. Chancellor Sorensen stated that these are guidelines nationwide. His recommendation would be to keep it vague. A discussion pursued with an issue with the "teaching" term. PPC voted to be as flexible to allow each department to regulate. Online courses, along with distance education, graduate assistants, and maximum credits/number of hours are other factors that need to be considered. Vanden Bloomen said teaching undergraduates and graduate was also discussed.

Motion: Pamperin/Calenberg moved to approve the Faculty Workload.

Vote: (By show of hands): 25 Yeas; 1 Nay. Motion passed.

- B. Recommendation Concerning Sick Leave Reporting-Chair Kapus discussed the handout. If this is okay, he will submit (keep things the way they are).

Motion: Weckmueller/Miller-Rodeberg moved to approve the Recommendation Concerning Sick Leave Reporting.

Vote: Passed unanimously and will be sent to Kevin Reilly.

- C. **PPC Reminder on Research Definition – Chair Kapus reminded senators that some departments still need to submit their research definition.**
- D. **EAC Recommendation for University Marshal - (Chair Kapus; Attachment 6) Allowing the Senate of Academic Staff to choose a marshal for Academic Staff.**

Motion: Weckmueller/Kirby moved to approve the EAC Recommendations for University Marshal,

Vote: Passed unanimously.

There are currently two positions to be filled. Pamperin suggested that classified staff should also be considered to be a Marshal. Chancellor Sorensen mentioned that the Tradition of a Marshal should be considered.

- E. **Alignment discussion – Chair Kapus will need to submit suggestions the Provost by October 16. Different ways were offered on how to obtain the information to submit: one suggestion was taking a vote; another was to gather pros and cons of each model; another was to use a matrix either with or without ranking and giving comments. It is important to hear the voice of all departments. Chancellor Sorensen thinks giving suggestions about the broad view of each overall model with consideration as to where a department should not go. To be most useful, it was suggested to give comments and stay away from voting. Each program should have a chance to comment both positively and negatively for each model. Nold mentioned that program directors had a meeting and a document of the discussion will be compiled and will be a Faculty Senate agenda item for October 16. Listening sessions are posted on the web (BPA), so the information is already compiled and available. Jerry will email everyone the website. It was questioned how realignment will trickle down to support. Chancellor Sorensen said that it would be difficult to discuss until a model is approved. There will be shifting of support. After hearing the comments on how to gather the information, Chair Kapus feels that most people prefer a chart to submit comments rather than to rank. The chart will be composed of items already discussed. Positive, cross-disciplinary barrier breakers are needed to produce better students. The model that best meets the students’ needs, not just reshuffling departments, should be focused. Motley feels that Model 4 would be beneficial, but may start out in turmoil. Galloy likes Model 4, but there needs to be long-term goals. It was discussed what model would not have Deans be competitive and be more collaborative. Model 4 could pose problems with accreditation. Jerry asked the question to the Chancellor about the senate structure. The chancellor suggests thinking about Academics Model.**

F. **Other**

VI. New Business

- A. **B.S. in Art Education (Jonna Gjevre; Attachment 7)**
Motion: Weckmueller/Schultz moved to approve the B.S. in Art Education
Vote: Passed unanimously.
- B. **Attendance by Senators at Senate Meetings – Chair Kapus discussed absenteeism. If a senator misses two meeting in a row, without notification, then Jerry will email the senator. If three or more meetings are missed, the dean/chair will then be contacted.**
- C. **Environmental Sustainability Steering Committee - (Jerry Kapus; Attachment 8)**
Kitrina Carlson, Biology Department, was appointed to serve on the Environmental Sustainability Steering Committee this year. In the future, the representative will be elected.
- D. **Graduate Education Policy Revision - (Claudia Johnston; Attachment 9), Johnston stated that after completing the first masters program, 15 credits could be used for a second masters program. This would be under the direction of the program director.**
Motion: Galloy/Schultz moved to approve the B.S. in Art Education
Vote: (By show of hands): 22 Yeas; 1 Nay. Motion passed.
- E. **Other**

VII. Adjournment - 4:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ned Weckmueller, Secretary

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