

**NOTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE COMBINED SENATES
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STOUT
SEPTEMBER 4, 2007
CEDARWOOD/MAPLEWOOD ROOMS
2:30 P.M.**

Dennis Shaw, Chair of the Senate of Academic Staff, welcomed everyone at 2:35 p.m. Senators and guests then introduced themselves.

- I. **Chancellor's Report** – Chancellor Sorensen welcomed both Senates back to school. The fall enrollments look good. However, the budget is still deadlocked with no movement and may go into October or November before it's finalized. It's desired to increase the Honors Program support and also maintain program development, including an aggressive mission marketing program for Stout. The Chancellor asked the campus to please have patience as the budget process is worked through.
- II. **Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs' Report** – Provost Furst-Bowe welcomed everyone back and stated that the campus was very close to its enrollment targets. Regarding the realignment, she met with the Deans and Senate Chairs on August 31 regarding how overwhelming four models were and how to develop a better process in narrowing them down. The first step, she noted, is to resend the White Paper to the campus and then send out the four models. Eight Listening Sessions have been scheduled, and the process includes talking about the four models through these sessions to obtain input. It is hoped that by early October, the models would be narrowed down to only two. Meetings will be co-hosted with the Senates and faculty and staff for question/answer sessions. At some point toward end of semester, a certain cut-off date will happen (probably by the end of the first semester.) After this point, the Deans' searches would begin, including one for Dean Wesolek who would be stepping down in May. The Provost reassured everyone that she and the Chancellor would be available to discuss every aspect of the realignment and encouraged faculty/staff input. Miller-Rodeberg noted that it would be helpful for everyone, especially newer faculty, if the pros and cons as to why each model was proposed could be distributed as well. Richard Tafalla would be serving as the Minority Administrative Intern who also would report to the group.
- III. **Vice Chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Services' Report**- Vice Chancellor Moen distributed copies of the Administrative and Student Life Services organizational chart to everyone and noted that there have been several changes, including function of duties. Raina Clark is the new Environmental Sustainability Coordinator for the campus. A steering committee will be formed that will analyze greenhouse gases that Stout produces, ways to further reduce the energy used, and other long-range items. DNR also has regulations regarding storm water management which includes run-off water from parking lots and roofs. Meridith Wentz is the Director of Budget, Planning & Analysis and Kim Schulte-Shoberg is the Director of Business & Financial Services. Ted Hendzel is the Director of the Physical Plant, Wayne Argo, the Director of Human Resources, and Phil Lyons is the new Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Life Services. Moen concluded by explaining they were in the process of filling the position for the Executive Director of Health and Safety.
- IV. **Other Announcements and Information** - Jerry Kapus, Chair of the Faculty Senate, explained that he spoke with System Legal concerning that the e-mail distribution list could be in violation of the Open Meeting Law if it were used to discuss any Senate issues without posting an announcement. He noted that Doug Wahl would be setting up a list serve that will be available next week; however, Senators should not initiate any discussion regarding business that would come before the Senate. But if others do it, it's fine. The list will be used to discuss any campus issue and be a system for people to share information with others. Doug Mell asked the Senate Chairs for assistance in sending him any information about people doing something noteworthy. Mell announced that he would like to also compile an "experts list" and use it as another way of promoting what people do at Stout. A notice will be sent out to help faculty and academic staff enroll in this.

Chair Shaw thanked all of the people who gave their holiday week to ensure that Stout's move-in process was smooth and who also helped with the laptop roll out. Senator Lugo also commended the student trainers for their great job.

**MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 4, 2007
CEDARWOOD/MAPLEWOOD ROOMS
(Following Meeting of the Combined Senates)**

ATTENDANCE:

CHAIR: Jerry Kapus
VICE CHAIR: Forrest Schultz (Interim)

SECRETARY: Ned Weckmueller
PAST CHAIR: Forrest Schultz

PRESENT: M. Barfoot, P. Calenberg, J. Champe, S. Cole, K. Doll, B. Flom, M. Galloy, P. Ghenciu, R. Howarton, L. Kassama, A. Kirby, M. Martin, M. Miller-Rodeberg, P. Motley, G. Neidermyer, R. Nyland, J. Rompala, S. Springer, J. Taylor

EXCUSED: Bergquist, T. Brantmeier, A. Hoel, T. Karis, A. Mekraz, S. Nold, B. Pamperin, C. Rohrer, and S. Terry

GUESTS: W. Argo, D. Vanden Bloomen

Chair Kapus presented Past Chair Schultz with a plaque thanking him for his leadership in serving as the Faculty Senate Chair for 2006-2007.

- I. **Open Meeting Orientation for New Senators** – by Chair Kapus and Past Chair Schultz
Chair Kapus asked Senators to read through the Parliamentary Procedures to obtain information on how to propose, reconsider, and table motions and explained that the Faculty Senate Executive Committee helps formulate the full Faculty Senate meeting agenda.
- II. **Senate Structure, Simplified Parliamentary Procedure (from “Roberts Rules of Order”), Open Meeting Law, Responsibilities, etc. (Attachments 1 &2)**

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

- I. **Call to Order** – 3:05 p.m.
- II. **Announcements** – Chair Kapus asked Senators to check their membership information and to please send Joy any changes.
 - A. **Introductions of Officers and New Senators (Jerry Kapus, Chair; Forrest Schultz, Past Chair and Interim Vice Chair; Ned Weckmueller, Secretary; Michelle Barfoot and Phillip Motley, CAS Reps; Lamin Kassama, CHD Rep.; Adel Mekraz, CTEM Rep.; John Rompala, Physics Rep.**
 - B. **Faculty Senate Resolutions Passed in 2006-2007 (Attachment 3) – for information.**
 - C. **Faculty Senate Meetings for 2007-2008 Attachment 4) – Chair Kapus noted that September 18 was the Faculty Senate’s Listening Session concerning alignment and priorities and encouraged Senators to come prepared with questions regarding alignment.**
 - D. **Faculty Senate Membership for 2007-2008 (Attachment 5) – for information.**
 - E. **Sabbatical Quotas for 2007-2008 (Attachment 6) – There are 10 sabbaticals available this year.**
 - F. **General Education Committee Accomplishments, AY 2006-2007 (Attachment 7) – for information.**
 - G. **Other**

III. **Minutes of May 8, 2007 (Attachment 8)**

Motion: Calenberg/Ghenciu moved to approve the Minutes of May 8, 2007.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

IV. **Elect 1 Senator to serve on the Chancellor’s Coalition on Alcohol and Drugs** - Chair Kapus said that Joy would be sending out a “Call for Nominations” for this position.

V. **Election of 2 Faculty Senate Reps to serve on the Strategic Planning Group (SPG)** The 5 reps are filled by the Faculty Senate Chair, Vice Chair, Past Chair, and 2 at-large Senators.
Renee Howarton gave an overview of the group’s duties to Senators and explained that it meets during the school year to collect and analyze data regarding the university priorities and action plans. Members also attend the Chancellor’s Summer Retreat.

Motion: Schultz/Flom nominated Julianne Taylor and Ghenciu/Schultz nominated Renee Howarton

to serve as the two representatives.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

VI. Election of Members to Faculty Senate Election Committee (Members are Faculty Senate Vice Chair, 2 Senators, and 2 non-Senators that are faculty.)

Mike Galloy volunteered to serve. Taylor nominated Ruth Nyland.

Motion: Taylor/Martin moved to approve Mike Galloy and Ruth Nyland to serve on the Faculty Senate Election Committee for 2007-2008.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

Schultz noted that he would try to find two non-senators that could serve as well.

VII. Election of College Reps and Alternates from CTEM, CAS, CHD, and SOE to serve on the Faculty Senate Executive Committee (Elected by members of each College/School) – Each college/school caucused and appointed the following representatives and alternates to serve for 2007-2008:

CTEM: Scott Springer, representative, and Renee Howarton, alternate.

CAS: John Rompala, representative, and Petre Ghenciu, alternate.

CHD: Julia Champe, representative, and Lamin Kassama, alternate.

SOE: Barb Flom, alternate, said that she would serve as the representative until an SOE Senator could be appointed to the Faculty Senate.

VIII. Election of Senators to the Personnel Policies Committee: 3 Senators needed (all for 3-year terms). Nominations will be taken at the time of the election. Must be from the Faculty Senate. Mike Galloy, Petre Ghenciu, and Ruth Nyland volunteered to serve.

Motion: Calenberg/Doll moved to approve Mike Galloy, Petre Ghenciu, and Ruth Nyland to serve on the Personnel Policies Committee for three year terms.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

Schultz announced that Chris Bendel agreed to serve as a non-Senator on the Election Committee

Motion: Schultz/Springer moved to approve Chris Bendel as one of the non-Senators on the Faculty Senate Election Committee for 2007-2008.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

VIII. Adjournment – 3:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ned Weckmueller, Secretary

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