

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STOUT

SENATE OF THE ACADEMIC STAFF

MINUTES

October 2, 2007

ATTENDANCE

CHAIR: Dennis Shaw

SECRETARY: Robin Muza (acting secretary)

PRESENT: Jerry Addie, Tracy DeRusha, Jeff Kirschling, Wendy Knutson, Lelah Lugo, Amy McGovern, Debra Mosey, Amy Riddle-Swanson, Jennifer Rudiger, Sheri Yadger.

ABSENT: Wayne Argo, Bhaskar Gaddam (excused), Damian Hanft, Doug Mell, Heidi Rabeneck, and Lesley Voight.

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was call to order by Chair Shaw at 3:15.

**II. Announcements and Information:**

A. Chair Shaw announced the Senate secretary position had been filled by Janelle Reitz.

**III. Approval of Minutes (attachment): Motion made by Senator Addie; seconded by Senator Lugo to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2007 meeting. Passed unanimously.**

**IV. Reports (Distributed electronically):**

A. Senator Lugo reported that the Personnel Committee will meet Wednesday October 3 in the Library.

B. No other reports given.

**V. Old Business**

A. Program Alignment. Chair Shaw thanked academic staff for attending the listening sessions. Chair Shaw informed the senators about Faculty Senate's plan in reviewing and recommending models. Chair Shaw shared with the senators that the executive committee felt this was not a voting issue but was important to provide feedback.

B. Leave Reporting (attachment). Comments concerning sections 1 and 2 are posted on the web site. Senator Lugo shared her comments concerning section 3. Chair Shaw asked that if anyone had further comments to share that they be emailed to him for the executive committee to take into consideration. Discussion concerning not wanting to lose the accrual benefit.

- C. State Budget/Collective Bargaining (attachment). Chair Shaw informed the senate of who he had forwarded the resolution concerning collective bargaining passed at the September 4, 2007 meeting.
- D. University Marshall. Chair Shaw announced that the EAC had recommended that one University Marshall position be held by academic staff. Chair Shaw indicated that faculty senate would be discussing the recommendation at their Oct. 2 meeting.

**VI. New Business**

- A. Welcome packets. Welcome packets are given to all new academic staff. Chair Shaw has updated the welcome letter and indicated is waiting for the list of new academic staff from Human Resources.
- B. Bylaw changes (attachment). Election committee recommended changes to that part of the by-laws concerning election of chair. Changes were read to the senators.
- C. Approval of Committee Appointment (attachment). Chair Shaw welcomed Senator Yadger who replaced Senator Hartung as senator for CAS. A number of individuals volunteered to serve on the Sustainability Committee. Senator McGovern was selected. Representatives to Strategic Planning Committee will be Chair Shaw, Senators Addie, Lugo and Muza. Other committee appointments were announced. **Motion by Senator Knutson and seconded by Senator Rudiger to accept appointments. Approved unanimously.**
- D. Other. Chair Shaw shared with the senate the Administrative Ethic Statement (proposed at CAC). Chair Shaw asked the senate for endorsement of the statement. **Motion by Senator Addie and seconded by Senator Muza to endorse. Approved unanimously.**

Chair Shaw shared thoughts concerning the NSSE Report.

**VII. Adjournment.** Meeting was adjourned 4:20 p.m.

Next meeting will be held November 6<sup>th</sup> in the Oakwood Room immediately following the Combined Senates meeting (2:30 p.m.).