

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STOUT
SENATE OF ACADEMIC STAFF
MINUTES
October 3, 2006

ATTENDANCE

CHAIR: Dennis Shaw
SECRETARY: Darrin Witucki

PRESENT: Jerry Addie, Lori Anda-Bowen, Heidi Gilbertson-Gansberg, Ilse Hartung, Lelah Lugo, Amy McGovern, Kari Merritt, Jennifer Rudiger, Dennis Shaw, Evan Sveum, Lesley Wimer, Darrin Witucki

ABSENT: Argo (ex officio), Gaddam (excused), Hanft, James, Jones (excused), Kirschling (excused)

GUESTS: None

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chair Shaw at 3:42pm.

II. Announcements and Information:

A. The UW-System Compensation Advisory Committee has rescheduled their teleconference for October 13, 2006. Senator Lugo is unable to attend this teleconference. Chair Shaw can listen in for the first hour. Senators are asked to contact Senator Lugo or Chair Shaw if they would like to OR are available that afternoon to listen in on the teleconference.

III. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the September 5, 2006 meeting were approved for filing.

IV. Reports (Distributed electronically) – Committee reports are as presented electronically, no oral reports were given.

- A. Personnel Committee (Lelah Lugo)
- B. Professional Development Grant Committee (Jennifer Rudiger)
- C. Elections Committee (Bhaskar Gaddam)
- D. General Education Committee (Celene Frey)
- E. Chair's Report (Shaw)
- F. Other Submitted Materials
 - a. Moral Survey Final Report
 - b. Code of Ethics (UW-System Policies)
 - c. SAS Comments on UWS 7 & UWS 11 rule changes
 - d. Committee Vacancy List
 - e. Stout Teaching Workload Report 05-06

V. Old Business

- A. **Ethics State Recommendation**– Discussion of ethics recommendations by the Jeff Russell leadership group let by Chair Shaw.

Motion: Sveum/Lugo moved to endorse the ethics statement recommendations as presented by the Jeff Russell leadership group and recommends a task force be formed for implementation.

Vote: 11 Aye; 1 No; 0 Abstentions – **Motion PASSED.**

- B. **Culture of Affirmation Recommendations** – Lengthy discussion on the Culture of Affirmation Recommendations presented by Dan Riordan on behalf of the committee. The Senate did not make any formal resolutions. Chair Shaw will convey the following points on behalf of the Senate:

- 1) In general, the Senate of the Academic Staff believes there should be a culture of affirmation at UW-Stout.
- 2) The SAS found the committee’s work to be very broad and find it hard to understand the point and purpose of the recommendations.
- 3) The SAS poses the question: “Would the work on the campus ethics statement, that includes respect, achieve a similar goal and/or purpose?”

- C. **UWS 7 & UWS 11** – A memo was sent to the Board of Regents by the Executive Committee on behalf of the Senate. The memo indicates that the Senate does not support the proposed changes to UWS 7 & UWS 11.

VI. New Business

- A. **Approval of New Committee Members (attachment)** – Chair Shaw reviewed the list of current Academic Staff vacancies on university committees with names of potential membership appointees.

Motion: Hartung/Rudiger moved to approve the list of new committee member appointments.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

- B. **Add/Drop Process** – Discussion on the Add/Drop process. Senator Hartung reported that her college has concerns with the period of time a student has to drop a course. Many in her college feel it is too long of a period. Chair Shaw reported that the Academic Staff represented on the EAC is Scott Griesbach. Hartung will collect a formal list of concerns.

Motion: Hartung/Merritt moved to gather concerns and share them with our EAC representative to bring to the committee and report back.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

C. **Moral Survey** – Lengthy discussion on the moral survey report and past moral survey reports. Chair Shaw will talk with the Chancellor and try to convey the various thoughts and concerns brought about during the Senate discussion.

VII. Adjournment

The Senate was adjourned at 4:45pm.