

AGENDA

UW-GREEN BAY FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 7

Wednesday, March 12, 2008, 3:00 p.m.

Phoenix Room C, University Union

Presiding Officer: Kevin Roeder, Speaker

Parliamentarian: Professor Clifford F. Abbott

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 6, February 20, 2008 [page 2]

3. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

4. CONTINUING BUSINESS:

- a. New major in Arts Management (second reading) presented by Dean VonDras [page 6]
- b. New major in Design Arts (second reading) presented by Dean VonDras [page 7]

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Code change on emeritus status (first reading) presented by Kevin Roeder [page 8]
- b. Code change on course responsibilities (first reading) presented by Dean VonDras [page 9]
- c. Requests for future Senate business

6. PROVOST'S REPORT

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Academic Affairs Council [page 10]

8. UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Presented by Dean VonDras, Chair

9. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES 2007-2008
UW-GREEN BAY FACULTY SENATE MEETING NO. 6
Wednesday, February 20, 2008
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Presiding Officer: Kevin Roeder, Speaker of the Senate

Parliamentarian: Clifford Abbott, Secretary of the Faculty and Academic Staff

PRESENT: Lucy Arendt (BUA), Scott Ashmann (EDUC), Kathleen Burns (HUD), Franklin Chen (NAS alternate), Matthew Dornbush (NAS), Susan Gallagher-Lepak (NUR), Stefan Hall (HUS), Catherine Henze (HUS), Curt Heuer (AVD), Tian-you Hu (NAS), Ray Hutchison (URS alternate), Pao Lor (EDU), Kaoime Malloy (AVD), Steven Meyer (NAS-UC), Kim Nielsen (SCD), Illene Noppe (HUD-UC), Terence O'Grady (AVD-UC), Debra Pearson (HUB), Ellen Rosewall (AVD), Meir Russ (BUA), Jolanda Sallmann (SOCW alternate), Denise Scheberle (PEA), Bruce Shepard (Chancellor, *ex officio*), David Voelker (HUS), Kristin Vespia (HUD alternate), Dean VonDras (HUD-UC),

NOT PRESENT: Sue Hammersmith (Provost, *ex officio*), Daniel Meinhardt (HUB), Timothy Meyer (ICS), Laura Riddle (AVD-UC),

REPRESENTATIVES: Dan McIver (Academic Staff Committee), Ricky Staley (Student Government)

GUESTS: Scott Hildebrand, Cheryl Grosso, Jeff Benzow

1. Call to Order. With a quorum present, Speaker Roeder called the Senate to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. Speaker Roeder asked for a moment of silence in honor of Professor Anne Kok.

3. Approval of Minutes of UW-Green Bay Faculty Senate Meeting No. 5, January 23, 2008. On a motion by Senator O'Grady (second by Senator Steve Meyer) the minutes were approved by voice vote.

4. Chancellor's Report. The Chancellor covered a number of topics: funerals (the senselessness of bureaucratic rules restricting institutional support to a single representative to a funeral); the Obama visit (advice for responding to those complaining taxpayer dollars might be supporting a political rally); winter (appreciation to those cleaning up snow on campus); budget (appreciation of the governor's efforts to protect UW through state shortfalls of revenue); and the Madison Connection (benefits to UW-Green Bay for participation in this delayed entry program at UW-Madison). He asked for questions and received a couple of comments on the last topic. Senators raised concerns that while the Madison Connection seemed positive in the short run, UW-Green Bay should not become seen as a feeder school for another 4 year institution and, depending on the how students take advantage of the program, there may be governance and resource issues in the long term. The Chancellor recognized both concerns.

5. Continuing Business.

a. Code change to UWGB Chapter 54.03 A.5 (second reading). UC Chair VonDras introduced this proposal as a change recommended by the Academic Affairs Council and now endorsed by the University Committee. Senator O'Grady expanded that the current code language could be interpreted as meaning the Academic Affairs Council had the responsibility for aligning programs with the Interdisciplinary Units responsible for them and that the proposed change relieved the AAC of this responsibility. Under this interpretation he offered his support to the change. **Senator Steven Meyer then moved the change to delete "and the**

Interdisciplinary Units responsible for them" from UWGB chapter 54.03 A5 (second by Senator VonDras). The concern that this was the only place in Code that specified a relationship of oversight on non-budgetary units by budgetary units was raised. The Senate then voted its **approval (23-0-2).**

b. Code change to UWGB Chapter 54.03 A.5 and 53.10 F (second reading). UC Chair VonDras in presenting the previous issue had said that this alternative proposal did not have the endorsement of the University Committee. **The proposal died for lack of a motion.**

6. New Business.

a. 2008-2009 Slate of Nominees for Faculty Elective Committees. The Chair of the Committee on Committees and Nominations reported its slate of nominees with a couple of corrections to the attachment to the Senate agenda – Theresa Johnson and Kristin Vespia were removed as nominees for the Academic Affairs Council from the Social Sciences district and Dennis Lorenz was added. Senators were reminded of the procedures to add nominees before the balloting begins.

b. New major in Arts Management (first reading). AVD Chair Cheryl Grosso deftly presented the context and complex history behind this proposal to change a major area of emphasis in AVD to an interdisciplinary major in Arts Management supported by AVD (analogous to the way NAS supports an interdisciplinary major in Environmental Science). The Academic Affairs Council in voting its approval of the proposal had raised three concerns and Professor Grosso responded to each. For the concern about enrollment control, AVD was mindful of the potential problem and had begun exploring a number of ways to control enrollment. For the concern about too many responsibilities falling on a single faculty member, Professor Grosso described the sharing arrangements for advising, teaching and administration and noticed that there was a history of these arrangements working reasonably well. For the concern about an advisory committee, it was noted that Professor Rosewall was very well connected in the professional community of arts managers and the university programs that produce many of them. The discussion began with comments from the units most likely affected by the proposal. Senator Scheberle, speaking for PEA, thanked the proposers for the opportunity to review the proposal early and noted how PEA uses a similar governance model. Senator Meir Russ, reading a statement from BUA, expressed concern that the major not be construed as a business degree. Professor Rosewall agreed and offered that in the field undergraduate programs in Arts Management were often distinguished from true business programs at the graduate level, typically called Arts Administration. In response to questions about the future, Professor Grosso clarified that eventually there would not be a major in AVD separate from the proposed Arts Management and the proposed Design Arts majors. The process from here is a second reading by the Senate and then reviews by the Provost, the Chancellor, UW System Administration and the Board of Regents. Reports of outside reviewers had already been done.

c. New major in Design Arts (first reading). AVD Chair Grosso presented this proposal along with the previous one since their histories and contexts were intertwined. Professor Jeff Benzow was available for questions but there were none directed specifically at this proposal.

d. Requests for future business. There were none.

7. Provost's Report. The Provost was away with a UWGB team at a session of the HLC Academy for Assessment of Student Learning, but submitted a written report and invited questions.

8. Committee Reports.

a. Academic Affairs Council. The written report was attached to the Senate agenda.

b. Senate Committee on Planning and Budget. The report was read by Senator Meir Russ and is attached to these minutes. When asked what's next, Senator Russ said that the Committee was uncomfortable with its ability to complete its charge. Speaker Roeder said that the matter would be put on the University Committee's agenda.

9. University Committee Report. Chair VonDras listed the issues the UC has been and will be considering. They include: the committee for evaluation of administrators, reforms in the program review process, the establishment of an executive committee for the Global Studies minor, and consideration of the Senate Committee on Planning and Budget.

10. Open Forum. The topic was "Defining Academic Excellence." Senator Voelker was invited to open the session and he did so by posing the pursuit of excellence as a workload issue in searching particularly for additional time both for faculty and students. Can we find ways to build synergy with student efforts? How about more use of 4 credit classes? This provoked a number of responses – that 4 credit classes don't by themselves lead to excellence; that they might reduce the number of preps; that they might allow time for making connections beyond the classroom. The Chancellor commented that by most measures of workload our campus should not be experiencing greater stress than our peers, except that our faculty has a higher average number of preps than our peers. Some streamlining of programs, including general education, might help, but would that diminish our programs in the eyes of peers at other schools? Other senators asked what we really mean by "academic excellence" and whether it was measurable and rewardable. A few senators noted some reasons for optimism: the creativity around the common theme initiative, the technological experiments with classroom clickers, and the plans for a teaching and learning center.

11. Adjournment. The Speaker adjourned the meeting from closed session at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Clifford Abbott, Secretary of the Faculty and Academic Staff

Report to the Faculty Senate

SENATE PLANNING AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Present: John Katers (Chair), Randall Meder, Meir Russ

Excused: Denise Scheberle, Tim Meyer, Woo Jeon

As requested by the UC in October 2007, the following is the monthly report on the general mandate revised by the Senate in October 2004 plus the additions of October 2007.

The committee met on Monday, February 18, 2008, and heard a report from John Katers (its chair) describing his activities on behalf of the committee for the several months.

John detailed a number of meetings with the Chancellor, the Provost, the University Planning Committee and several others related to the efforts of Michael Dolence. John reported receiving contradictory or incomplete messages regarding several issues including salary increases, the merit system, the university budget process and strategic planning/growth agenda. His conclusion was that in order to fulfill the duties requested by the Senate mandate, much more time and the collaboration and agreement for transparency from the administration would be necessary, as there are still questions or concerns that the committee is not proactively involved in the process.

Following a short discussion, the committee agreed that there is currently the appearance of other conflicting priorities within the administration and the faculty, e.g., such as promoting the Weidner Center and the Kress Center, where there is only a minimal transparent discussion between the faculty and the administration, not in line with the shared governance system the Chancellor and the Senate are requesting, and that under the current constraints, the committee may not be able to perform the majority of its mandate as requested by the Senate on October 2007.

Specifically, the majority of the committee members participated in the early planning stages of the Strategic Plan that were driven by the management consultant Michael Dolence. However, the Committee is not satisfied with its role in representing the Faculty Senate in discussion with the administration in regards to the on going budgetary issues as well as in regards to its impact on faculty of the Growth Initiative.

The committee can not report on any progress at this time in regards to the dissemination of information about the budgetary process to the entire UWGB faculty via a web page, although input was provided to the Provost by the committee in December, 2007.

Approved electronically on February 20, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Meir Russ

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http://www.uwgb.edu/sofas/facgov/facsenate/Agendas/Major_Arts_Mgmt.pdf

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CODE CHANGE ON EMERITUS FACULTY AND GOVERNANCE

Current Code does not allow emeritus faculty to "participate in the governance of the University" (UWGB 51.13), but it does allow them to "be engaged for service at the discretion of the Chancellor" (UWGB 51.09). This Code change is to allow exceptions and get these two sections of Code to shake hands better.

Current version

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Proposed version (bold shows added language)

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CODE CHANGE ON COURSE RESPONSIBILITIES

Current version

53.05 INTERDISCIPLINARY UNIT CHAIRPERSON: RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

The interdisciplinary unit chair shall have leadership and administrative responsibilities in relation to the faculty and the Executive Committee of the unit. The chair's primary responsibility is to organize faculty discussion of key intellectual and practical issues concerning the unit and the institution as a whole, and to work with the unit faculty to address them effectively. These functions are carried out on behalf of the executive committee and unit faculty and are particularly evident in five major areas.

A. Program/Curriculum Planning. In this area leadership responsibilities include initiating and organizing the unit's curriculum planning and program development processes. These activities are coordinated with the preparation and implementation of the unit's Program Development Plan and Program Assessment Plan.

53.08 DISCIPLINARY AND OTHER UNIT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES: MEMBERSHIP AND FUNCTIONS

B. The disciplinary or other unit executive committee has authority to evaluate a faculty member of that disciplinary or other unit concerning appointment, dismissal and promotion according to Faculty Personnel Policy Procedures. The executive committee has the authority to make recommendations concerning the curriculum and programs within the disciplinary or other unit.

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1. In this area leadership responsibilities include initiating and organizing the unit's curriculum planning and program development processes. These activities are coordinated with the preparation and implementation of the unit's Program Development Plan and Program Assessment Plan.

2. **The chairperson has leadership responsibilities for approving, scheduling, and staffing courses and may negotiate sharing of that responsibility with other units. Each course shall be the responsibility of some interdisciplinary unit.**

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B. The disciplinary or other unit executive committee has authority to evaluate a faculty member of that disciplinary or other unit concerning appointment, dismissal and promotion according to Faculty Personnel Policy Procedures. The executive committee has the authority to make recommendations **through the appropriate Dean(s) to the Academic Affairs Council and Provost** concerning the curriculum and programs within the disciplinary or other unit.

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Curricular Decisions of the Academic Affairs Council

February 20-27, 2008

1. The AAC approved the discontinuation of ART 371 Intermediate Relief Printing and ART 377 Lithography.

2. On February 27, 2008, the Academic Affairs Council discussed the implementation of a University policy governing the approval and the use of special topics and variable content courses. The AAC recommends the executive committees of all academic programs adhere to a formal policy that special topics and variable content courses with the same content can be offered only once every four academic years. Those academic programs wishing to offer the same special topics or variable content course more often than every four years must submit instead an independent Course Master Form to create a permanent course through the existing curricular approval process. The Academic Deans should inform in writing all program chairs about this policy. The Deans and the Registrar should monitor the policy carefully on a semester-by-semester basis. The AAC would refer to this policy in a memo to the initiator and the relevant program chair each time the AAC approves a special topics or variable content course through the existing curricular approval process.

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