

Senate Executive Committee  
University of Wisconsin, Superior  
Tuesday, November 6, 2007, 2:30 pm, RSC 111

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Einerson called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

Present: Einerson, Cleary, Sloboda, Sherman, Toivola, Vance, Hudelson, Sipress, Birkholz, Sharp, recorder.

### **I. STUDENT HEALTH AND COUNSELING SERVICES** (attachment 10/23/07 Senate agenda)

Einerson: The campus community is concerned about the shifts and changes in the Student Health and Counseling Services. Specific concerns from faculty include a lag time for appointments. Student Senate held a meeting with the Provost and Jan Hanson asking specific questions (see student senate web site for minutes). Floor open to discussion. The first priority of faculty senate will be to support the Student Senate, and continue to monitor the developments regarding Student Health and Counseling Services.

### **II. MOTION FROM PERSONNEL COUNCIL , PAY PLAN DISPERSEMENT** (attached minutes)

Discussion. Motion (Sloboda/Sherman) to put forward Personnel Council's motion from minutes of October 24, 2007.

*Monies allocated for decompression of faculty salaries at UW-S for the 07-08 academic year be divided among full professors using the following formula:*

*.001 x years in rank as professor x current salary x J=100% of available decompression monies for the 07-08 academic year.*

*J=a constant derived when other figures (# of professors eligible, current salaries, years in rank, and total \$ available) have been determined.*

Motion carried unanimously. (NEW BUSINESS ITEM)

### **III. VOLUNTARY SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTABILITY** (attachment)

Campuses have the option to choose one of three prefabricated assessment tools: Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP), Measures of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAAP) or Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA). General discussion included: concern about the application of standardized tests which we know very little about, an ambiguous relationship between the testing process and strategic planning, how results of testing will be disseminated and used. NSSE was mentioned as a "superior" assessment tool, and is being included in the 2<sup>nd</sup> level of the VSA. System wants each campus recommendations/preference for the 3<sup>rd</sup> level of assessment (CLA, MAAP, or CAAP). There is no specific deadline from administration, on when campus should submit their preference. Discussion., UAAC is an appropriate body to consider (in)voluntary system of accountability. UAAC would be given a deadline to respond to full senate with their review and recommendation. (NEW BUSINESS ITEM)

### **IV. UAAC & AAC REGARDING ADVISEMENT & SOAR** (email correspondence)

Joel Sipress, Mary Lee Vance, Jane Birkholz accepted invitation to attend.

Clarification of UAAC charge and Academic Affairs Council bylaws.

Discussion: Concerns about academic advisement: Who should determine policy for undergraduate advisement, and what is the path of approval for making decisions? There has been no governance action to revise the document of Feb 15, 2005, which Senate approved. Administration ignored the recommendation

from faculty for summer 2007 SOAR, and unilaterally reduced SOAR sessions to 5 in number. Departments were instructed to advise on demand. The advisement office scrambled and pulled together about 20 mini-SOAR sessions to make up for the reduction in centralized advisement. The Academic Affairs Council will work with the request they received from UAAC to offer recommendations regarding undergraduate advisement, and get back to Senate.

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, OCTOBER 9 & OCTOBER 16, 2007** (attachments)

Motion (Sloboda/Cleary) to approve minutes dated October 9 and October 16, 2007.

No corrections. Minutes to stand as read. Motion carried unanimously.

**VI. OTHER:**

**Proposed personnel rule changes** - There are concerns regarding notification of complainants of actions taken regarding a complaint. Einerson will contact chair of Personnel Council for clarification on these rights, and come back to this body in December with more information.

**Evaluation of administrators**

Toivola shared an evaluation form used by another UW campus. Designed to evaluate the Chancellor, Provost, and others in administrative roles.

Sloboda to ask other faculty reps about their process of evaluation and will report the results to this body in December.

**NEW BUSINESS DEC exec meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 4:00p.

Respectfully submitted this 6<sup>th</sup> day November, 2007

Linda Sharp, Recorder