To: University Senate Members
From: Mitch Freymiller, Chair of University Senate

The University Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire will meet on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Dakota Ballroom of Davies Center.

Agenda:

1) Approval of December 10, 2013 University Senate minutes (attached)

2) Administrator Remarks

3) Report
   a) For the Record: Academic Policies Committee
      Entrepreneurship Certificate
      Ghana Study Abroad
   b) Report from University Senate Chair Freymiller
   c) Faculty and Academic Staff Rep’s Reports

4) New Business

5) Announcements

6) Topic of the Day
   Academic Year Calendar
   Please see the Academic Year Calendar 2010-2020 (attached)
   Calendar Rationale

Questions for small group discussion:

1) Should UWEC consider changing its academic year calendar so that fall and spring semesters are equal in length? Advantages/Disadvantages? Challenges?

2) Should UWEC consider expanding Winterim from 3 weeks to 4 weeks? Advantages/Disadvantages? Challenges?

3) Should UWEC consider moving Phase II Orientation for First Year students and transfer students to the Tuesday following Labor Day so that fall semester classes would start on the Wednesday following Labor Day? Advantages/Disadvantages? Challenges?

4) Should UWEC consider adding the Wednesday before Thanksgiving to the Thanksgiving recess? Advantages/Disadvantages? Challenges?

*Note: There is no intent to make any changes to the length of class periods

7) Adjournment