Honorary Degrees

REPORT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

University Senate Committee: University Senate Executive Committee

Brief History of Issue - why the issue is being considered:

- The University of Wisconsin System Unclassified Personnel Guideline #11.03 states that “Each university shall have an Honorary Degree Committee whose purpose and function shall be to consider and recommend candidates for honorary degrees consistent with procedures, policies, and criteria developed at each institution and approved by the chancellor and the Board of Regents. The University of Wisconsin System president and the Chancellor of the institution shall be ex-officio members of these committees.”

- This committee has basically been non-existent at UW-Eau Claire and should be established.

Points Discussed by Committee:

- There is no need to establish a committee that may or may not be needed in any given year.
- It would be logical to use an existing committee.

Pros of Recommendation:

- Gives an existing committee the task of serving as the Honorary Degree Committee.
- Establishes the function of this committee within governance.

Cons of Recommendation:

- None known

MOTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

The University Senate Executive Committee by a vote of 10 for to 0 against on September 1, 2009

Recommends that the University Senate Executive Committee, along with the President of the University of Wisconsin System as an ex officio member, serve as UW-Eau Claire's Honorary Degree Committee. The Committee's procedures and actions shall be consistent with Unclassified Personnel Guideline 11.

Implementation Date: upon Board of Regent approval