

**University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire**  
**University Senate Executive Committee**

Minutes from October 20, 2009  
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Present: Robin Baker, Mitchell Freymiller, Andrea Gapko, Susan Harrison, Beth Hellwig, Jeff Janot, Patricia Kleine, Scott Lester, Jennifer Lee, Brian Levin-Stankevich, Scott Lowe, John Mann, Joe Morin, John Pollitz, Sheila Smith, Linda Spaeth

Absent: Sean McAleer

Guests: Gail Scukanec, Marty Wood

The regular meeting of the University Senate Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Harrison at 3:03 p.m. on Tuesday, October 20, 2009 in the Presidents Room of Davies Center.

1. Minutes of October 6, 2009 approved as distributed
2. Open Forum
  - Campus-wide Fire Drill
    - Drill was conducted in October during a time when exams were being given
    - Didn't get adequate time notice of the drill to change any class happenings
    - This is a wide-spread complaint
    - Drills should be scheduled well in advance and not during prime testing time
    - The scheduler of the drills should be made aware of this so this does not happen again
  - Senate discussion on Collective Bargaining
    - The Chair received an email stating that it was inappropriate for the Provost, being a supervisor, to speak at the session. The Chair noted that the Provost is a member of Senate and therefore has a right to speak
  - Calendars
    - Some students not happy that Easter is not being "recognized" this year; students were informed that if they have a complaint, they can bring it to the Executive Committee
    - Can look at any calendars that are the year 2012 and beyond
  - FASH
    - APC wanted to verify that faculty and academic staff are made aware of the changes that are happening with the handbook since it will be moving to an online version
    - APC asked that it be brought before the Senate for discussion
  - Publishing of promotions
    - Typically published by the News Bureau
    - Usually published in September but has not yet happened as it just got to the Chancellor for review
    - After signed by the Chancellor will go through normal communication channels
3. Review of tentative agenda for October 27, 2009 University Senate meeting approved as distributed with omission of the Special Report by Provost Kleine, which will be delayed for two weeks
4. Discuss nominees for Senate Nominating Committee: review list of Senators not serving on committees
  - Discussion moved to the end of the agenda to accommodate a closed session
5. Consideration of Constitution changes relating to Vice Chancellor(s) membership and non-voting status on Senate Executive Committee
  - Previously passed in concept
  - Chair proposed language that was more generic in case of title changes
  - If there were title changes then this language would not have to be rewritten
  - General language makes good sense or by-laws would have to be changed

- Take out the word “the” before the word Provost in the motion to make it grammatically correct

MOTION by Senator Gapko **to move the motion forward to the Senate**, seconded and PASSED without dissention.

6. Miscellaneous Business

- none

7. Announcements

- 30 students have gone through the Health Center with the flu
- Numbers are sent to the state as the state keeps track of this

MOVED and seconded **that the committee go into closed session under Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c) to discuss nominees for Senate Nominating Committee.**

Motion PASSED unanimously without objection from the following members: Robin Baker, Mitchell Freymiller, Andrea Gapko, Susan Harrison, Beth Hellwig, Jeff Janot, Scott Lester, Jennifer Lee, Brian Levin-Stankevich, Scott Lowe, John Mann, Joe Morin, John Pollitz, Sheila Smith, and Linda Spaeth

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.

Submitted by,

Tanya Kenney  
Secretary of the University Senate