Chair’s Report for April 27, 1999

Senate update

- Important links for current issues, minutes, and agendas found on the Senate web site: http://www.uwec.edu/Admin/Usenate
- Remember to initial the roll call sheet when you enter the room

Open Forum Items from Senate Executive Committee Meeting minutes

- Mike Steffen (Student Senate) introduced the idea of holding a contest for creating a mascot for UWEC to go along with the Blugold name.
  - Suggested committee be formed with University Senate, Student Senate, Foundation, and Alumni Association representation to investigate the possibility.
  - If any senator is interested in serving on the committee, please email Mike Steffen at: steffemh
- Madison initiative funded under governor's budget proposal apparently includes some compensation for faculty and academic staff
  - Fact that some funds go to Madison does not mean if they did not go there a portion of them would be available for UWEC
  - Although this may have been in budget from beginning, at least compensation part seems to just now be coming to light
  - May be part of matching funds deal for significant fundraising drive on Madison campus
  - Madison to also raise tuition higher than other institutions
  - More information will be gathered - see handouts provided
  - Should Eau Claire then also be working on an initiative?
  - One reason for merging to a university system was so campuses did not go to legislators individually figuring more bargaining power
  - Concern for way Learning Space is distributed was referred to Meg Dwyer or Mort Sipress
- Listing of issues brought to Senate Chair was distributed to committee for input.
  - Value of out-of-classroom educational experiences?
  - Relationship between AT&T and the University with regard to the new ID card.
  - Questions on the status of Copyright and Fair Use Guidelines at UWEC and Networking Usage Guidelines.
  - Service-Learning projects.

Items discussed with the Senate Chair

- The UWEC Student Senate passed a resolution unanimously on 4/19/99 in support of Reducing Guaranteed Faculty Parking Hours.
  - Whereas, finding student parking spaces in the Phillips lot has become increasingly difficult; and
  - Whereas, guaranteed faculty space restrictions are currently in effect from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and
  - Whereas, the majority of guaranteed faculty parking spaces have consistently remained unoccupied form 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.;
    Be it therefore resolved that the Student Senate, on behalf of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Student Body, supports the reduction of guaranteed faculty parking hours; and
    Be it therefore resolved that the Student Senate supports reserving a set number of guaranteed faculty spaces for the current hours for faculty members who need them after 4:00 p.m….

Faculty Reps Meeting

- Next meeting, April 30 in Madison.

Board of Regents Meeting

- Next meeting, May 6-7, at UW-Parkside.