

# GENERAL FACULTY MEETING

Spring Semester, 2012

Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>

Townsend Center

3:00 p.m.

Reception 2:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order, Welcome, and Opening Remarks to Faculty – Dr. Beheruz N. Sethna, President
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Recognition of Faculty Retirees
- IV. Faculty and Staff Service Awards – Dr. Bill Estes, Vice President for University Advancement
- V. Election of New Faculty Senate Chair – Mr. Christopher Huff, Chair of Faculty Senate
- VI. Promotion and Tenure Guidelines Revisions – Dr. Gary Schmidt
- VII. SACS and QEP Updates – Dr. Jon Anderson, Deputy Provost for Academic Affairs
- VIII. Provost's Remarks – Dr. Michael Horvath, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
- IX. Closing Remarks – Dr. Beheruz N. Sethna, President
- X. Adjournment

**Elections:**

*Chair of Faculty Senate*

*Post Tenure Review Appeals Committee*

***Ballot boxes will be open before and after the General Faculty Meeting.***

## 2012 Members of the Post-Tenure Review Appeals Committee

\*Members must be tenured faculty

### College of Arts and Humanities

Vote for **1** faculty from College of Arts and Humanities

- Dr. Mark Tietjen
- Dr. Stacy Boyd
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### College of Social Sciences

Vote for **1** faculty from College of Social Sciences

- Dr. Thomas Hunter
- Dr. Catherine Jenks
- Dr. Tobin Hart
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### College of Science and Mathematics

Vote for **1** faculty from College of Science and Mathematics

- Dr. Randal Kath
- Dr. Abdollah Khodkar
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### Richards College of Business

Vote for **1** faculty from Richards College of Business

- Dr. Mary-Kathryn Zachary
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### College of Education

Vote for **1** faculty from the College of Education

- Dr. Jill Drake
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### Ingram Library

Vote for **1** faculty from Ingram Library

- Ms. Carol Goodson
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### School of Nursing

Vote for **1** faculty from the School of Nursing

- Dr. Susan Ashford
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## 103.02 Procedures

By the end of the first week of fall semester classes, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs shall establish the date by which recommendations shall be submitted at each level of the promotion/tenure process. Any faculty member who meets the criteria for promotion and tenure established herein and who desires to be considered shall submit a dossier to his or her department chair, library supervisor, or other designated supervisor (in the absence of a department chair). Department chairs or supervisors shall see that dossiers are organized uniformly according to the appropriate criteria specified.

Each dossier shall include, at a minimum, the following:

- a curriculum vitae;
- the three evaluations of teaching effectiveness and performance of allied duties specified in Section 103.05 and 103.06;
- any letters of recommendation which the department chair has received;
- reprints of scholarly publications or other evidence of scholarly or creative work.

The promotion/tenure process shall include reviews at the levels of both the Department and the College or School, except in those units without academic departments, which may choose a single-level process. Given the diverse nature of academic disciplines and the rigorous professional standards associated with each, departments may formulate specific criteria appropriate to their discipline. If a department specifies unique criteria, such criteria must be in written form and approved by the governing body of the College, the Dean, and the Provost. Such approved department criteria must be made available to candidates at their point of entry into UWG, and reinforced during periodic pre-tenure / promotion reviews; they must also be included as part of a candidate's dossier at each subsequent level of review. Departmental criteria must not conflict with University criteria. Each subsequent level of review must consider the dossier in terms of these stated criteria, thus ensuring that candidates are considered in the professional contexts of both their discipline and of the University.

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103.0201 Formation and Operation of Faculty Promotion and Tenure Evaluation Committees

## A. Departmental Evaluation (for units with academic departments)

### 1. Faculty Committee

A faculty promotion and tenure evaluation committee, consisting exclusively of no less than three tenured faculty members selected by the voting members of the department, shall formally review dossiers submitted to the department chair. In the event that a department does not have a sufficient number of tenured faculty members, tenured faculty from other departments must be invited to serve.

Department chairs, Assistant/Associate Deans and Deans are excluded from selection as committee members. No faculty member shall serve on the committee during a year in which he or she is being considered by the committee.

The departmental committee (or other review body of academic units that do not have departments) shall be guided by all of the specific university, college/school, and, for academic units that contain departments, departmental criteria for promotion or tenure in their formal review of dossiers submitted to the department chair and shall make a commendation in writing (including a discussion of the candidate's strengths and identification of areas where the candidate failed to meet the criteria) regarding each case for promotion and/or tenure. A simple majority vote of the committee is required for a positive recommendation. If a candidate is not recommended for promotion and/or tenure, the chair of the department (or Dean in the case of a unit that does not have departments) shall give the candidate a copy of the committee's evaluation in accordance with the procedures and timelines specified in Section 103.0205.

### 2. Department Chair

The department chair shall include the faculty committee's written evaluation along with his or her own written evaluation in the dossier of the candidate. Formal written evaluations shall include a discussion of the candidate's strengths and shall identify areas where the candidate failed to meet the criteria.

### 3. Evaluation of a Department Chair

When a department chair is under consideration for promotion and/or tenure, the faculty committee (see above) shall review the candidate's dossier submitted to the Dean. The committee shall make a recommendation in writing (including a discussion of the candidate's strengths and identification of areas where the candidate failed to meet the criteria) regarding the case for promotion and/or tenure. A simple majority vote of the committee is required for a positive recommendation. If a candidate is not recommended for promotion and/or tenure,

the chair of the Committee shall give the candidate a copy of the committee's evaluation in accordance with the procedures and timelines specified in Section 103.0205.

#### 4. Evaluations of other faculty holding administrative positions

Faculty above the level of department chair (e.g., deans, vice presidents) shall be evaluated in accordance with the same promotion and/or tenure criteria and procedures outlined in this Handbook including an independent evaluation by the candidate's immediate supervisor.

#### 5. Appeals

Candidates may appeal any evaluation that does not recommend promotion and/or tenure in accordance with the procedures and timelines specified in Section 103.0205.

#### B. College Evaluation

1. A Faculty Promotion and Tenure Evaluation Committee shall be established in each of the following: The College of Arts and Humanities, the College of Business, the College of Education, the College of Science and Mathematics, and the College of Social Sciences. Each committee shall be composed exclusively of tenured faculty members selected by the voting members of the-academic unit and shall formally review dossiers submitted to the Dean. Department chairs, Assistant/Associate Deans and Deans are excluded from selection as committee members. No faculty member shall serve on the committee during a year in which he or she is being considered by the committee. Each department shall have representation on the committee, but no department shall have more than two members.. Deans shall be responsible for calling the initial meeting of this committee. At the initial meeting, the members of each committee shall elect one of the members as chair, who will be a voting member of the committee.

2. Each committee shall meet at the call of its committee chair. At the initial meeting, the committee chair shall review the qualifications for each rank so that members will be guided by all of the specific university, college/school, and departmental criteria for promotion or tenure.

3. Dossiers submitted shall be reviewed by committee members prior to committee meetings.

4. The merits of each candidate for promotion or tenure shall be discussed to the extent desired by a simple majority of committee members. Department members serving on the Promotion and Tenure Evaluation Committee are to serve as

resource persons to the committee rather than advocates for or adversaries against members of their department under consideration for promotion and/or tenure. Any supervisor may be called to discuss with the committee the qualifications of each person nominated from his or her department.

5. Voting on promotion and tenure shall be by separate secret ballots and according to the following procedures: all candidates for promotion to each academic rank shall be voted on at the same time, and all candidates for tenure shall be voted on at the same time. Each candidate shall receive a vote of approval or disapproval. The committee chair shall total the votes awarded each candidate. A simple majority vote of the committee is required for a positive recommendation. It will be the responsibility of the Dean to preserve the original ballots and to keep these on file for a period of ten years.

6. Each committee chair shall submit a list of the names of those recommended for promotion and/or tenure to the appropriate Dean. The committee chair shall report to the Dean the number of approval/disapproval votes that each candidate received in the voting. The dossiers of those considered by the committee will be submitted with the report.

The committee chair shall prepare a written evaluation for each candidate that includes a discussion of the candidate's strengths and areas where the candidate failed to meet the criteria. A copy of this written evaluation, including vote totals, shall be forwarded in the dossier of the candidate to the appropriate Dean. If a candidate is not recommended for promotion and/or tenure, the Dean shall give the candidate a copy of the committee's evaluation in accordance with the procedures and timelines specified in Section 103.0205.

#### 6. Appeals

Candidates may appeal any evaluation that does not recommend promotion and/or tenure in accordance with the procedures and timelines specified in Section 103.0205.

#### C. Promotion and Tenure Committee Formation for Units without Departments (e.g. School of Nursing and Library)

Units without departments shall have the option of forming a single, unit-level promotion and tenure committee instead of two committees as described in 103.0201 A and B. Such a committee must be composed exclusively of tenured faculty and must include a minimum of three (3) members. In the event that the unit does not have a sufficient number of eligible tenured faculty, the committee must be populated by inviting tenured faculty from other units of the university, emeriti faculty, or tenured faculty from appropriate academic units at other universities. Any units that plan to populate promotion and tenure committees with

emeriti or non-UWG faculty must establish a written policy for the selection of these committee members

Units choosing the option of single-level review for promotion and tenure must develop their own written procedures for promotion and tenure committee formation and review and obtain approval from the governing body of the unit and the Provost/VPAA. These procedures must be otherwise consistent with the procedures outlined in section 103.0201.