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TO: Don Betz, Chancellor  
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FROM: Wes Chapin, Chair  
Faculty Senate  
University of Wisconsin-River Falls

RE: UW-RF Faculty Senate Motion 2006-2007/32

At the December 13, 2006 meeting of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty Senate, motion 2006-2007/32 was made, seconded, and passed. This motion is forwarded for your action:

Motion from the Faculty Welfare and Personnel Policies Committee regarding Eligibility Criteria for Administering Course Evaluations (see attached)

Motion 2006-2007/32 passed on December 13, 2006. This motion will take effect immediately.

X Approved

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Don Betz, Chancellor

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Whereas: [I]nformation gained from uniform student evaluations is used to arrive at broad comparisons of instructional academic staff members and can be used for personnel decisions.

Whereas: Student evaluations are but one means of assessing classroom teaching effectiveness.

Whereas: [S]tudent evaluations should be used as supporting evidence of classroom teaching effectiveness and not as the primary evidence of it.

Whereas: Every academic and administrative unit making personnel decisions must state in writing the relative importance of student evaluations in comparison to other means of evaluating teaching...Be it resolved that:

1. All of the following courses with enrollment greater than 1 will be evaluated by students:
  - o All on campus and off campus offerings
  - o All offerings from face-to-face to completely on-line
    - Lecture
    - Laboratory
    - Discussions
    - Seminars
  - o When Lecture/Lab/Discussion combinations, consider
    - If same faculty/students groupings, faculty decision to give it to only one or to each offering – all students must be given the opportunity to evaluate.
    - If different faculty/students groupings, evaluations will be required for all offerings;
2. All other types of courses will not be evaluated unless the department so chooses.
3. The statements 1 and 2 shall be added as Paragraph 3 to Chapter 4, Section 5.5.1 of the Faculty Handbook.

Statements taken from Chapter IVUW-RF Faculty/Academic Staff Handbook [18<sup>th</sup> Edition]; Section 5.5 Student Evaluation of Instruction

Note – title of Handbook states 17<sup>th</sup> Edition while the footers states 18<sup>th</sup> Edition.