University Commencement Committee
Agenda for Meeting. Wednesday, January 31, 2007 (8:10 a.m.), 320 Brigham

I Personnel
A. Commencement Speakers
B. Senior Valedictory Speakers
   Ad hoc committee of three faculty members and four student senators needed:
   Maximum of four nominations from each college
C. Student Ushers: Use Student Ambassadors – Barb Daus
D. Procession
   Two faculty members needed to lead the procession:
   9:30 a.m.: __________________ 2:00 p.m.: _______________

E. Commencement Marshals:
F. Volunteers to line up the students by college (two per college)
   BILSA at 8:45 a.m.:
   EMS at 1:15 p.m.:
   LAE at 1:15 p.m.:
G. Banners & College Banner Carriers: Deb Lundell will send top College GPA list in April. Bala will coordinate with the Deans as soon as list is received from Deb.

II Commencement Program: To be ready about 17 days before the event.

III Details
A. Flowers: Purchase Requisition (Erschen’s Florist) will be sent to Purchasing Office.
B. TV Hookup and Sound: Talked with Colleen Garrity (1628) & Todd Duwe (1230)
C. Music/Song Leaders
D. Pictures / Plaques: Arranged with Chappel Studio via their website.
E. Emergency Medical Services: Deb Lundell has called EMS.
F. Overflow seating:
G. Parking
H. Other?

IV Countdown to Commencement (Senior Salute) Reception Table–Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at PSC – University Room. Two volunteers from the committee are needed for each time slot:
   2:30 - 4:00
   4:00 - 5:00
   5:00 - 6:00

V Old Business
A. Chair lifts, overflow, past complaints, etc.

VI New Business
A. Academic Regalia. See recommendation from Sub-committee in the next page.
B. Executive Committee of the Ambassador organization: Based on their experiences at the December Commencement, consider issuing tickets to students for their guests at Commencement. This was suggested because of the large number of guests that some students invite - who come very, very early and occupy much of the space.
C. Consider having 2 commencement ceremonies in December. The overflow in Doudna Hall was full and overflowing (in addition to the gymnasium).
Information about Commencement Apparel

Commencement is a university ceremony which recognizes academic achievement. Academic apparel is required for the UW-Platteville graduation ceremony.

At UWP, both undergraduate and graduate students wear black robes and black mortarboard caps. All undergraduate students wear a tassel that identifies their academic field of study (see listing below). Graduate students also wear a tassel. Graduate students may choose to wear a tassel that identifies their undergraduate or their graduate academic field of study OR they may choose to wear a black tassel. All undergraduates and graduates wear their tassels on the left side of the mortarboard. It is suggested that students choose shoes and other articles of visible apparel that will harmonize with their academic gowns.

Undergraduate Honors

Only honors bestowed by the University are acknowledged and represented at Commencement. Undergraduate students who have completed 48 or more credits at UW-Platteville and who have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.50 or higher wear honor stoles. The honor stoles are provided by the Office of the Registrar to eligible students. Undergraduate students whose cumulative grade point average is between 3.50 and 3.74 graduate Magna Cum Laude while undergraduate students whose cumulative grade point average is between 3.75 and 4.00 graduate Summa Cum Laude.

International study

Undergraduate international students may wear an international flag stole. This stole is white and features the flag of the student’s home country (right side) and the American flag (left side). The international flag stole is provided, as a gift, by the International Student Club.

UW-Platteville undergraduate students who have spent a full semester in an academic program studying in an international location may wear an international sash. This sash features the colors of the flag of the international location where a student has studied. Eligible students purchase these sashes through the University Bookstore at an approximate cost of $40.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Students may wear only one stole/sash. If a student is eligible to wear both an honors stole and an international stole/sash, the student must choose which one he/she will wear.

Master’s Hood

During the UWP commencement ceremony students earning masters’ degrees are ‘hooded.’ Masters’ students carry their masters’ hoods over their right arms during the processional.

The University does not provide the masters’ hoods. Students should purchase the hood at the University Bookstore early in the semester in which they plan to graduate. Approximate cost is $25.

Tassel colors

The color designations, by academic program, are as follows:

- Brown – Art & Theater
- Copper – Economics
- Drab – Accounting, Business Administration, Communication Technologies, Computer Science, Industrial Technology Management
- Gold – Chemistry, General Science, Geography, Physics
- Light Blue – Elementary Education
- Maize – Agriculture, Biology, Reclamation, Environment and Conservation
- Orange – Engineering
- Pink – Music
- Royal – Philosophy
- Sage – Physical Education
- Silver Gray – Speech

**NOTE:** Masters’ graduates may choose to wear a black tassel.