Minutes of the Faculty Senate  April 2003

The eighth regular meeting of the 2002-2003 Faculty Senate convened at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1, in Room 116 of the Education Center (ECTR).

Speaker Hugh Wilder called the meeting to order. The minutes for the March meeting were approved after Bob Mignone requested that a correction be inserted.

Reports

The Speaker

Mr. Wilder began by noting that this was the last Senate meeting in this academic year. Accordingly, he thanked those who have assisted him in running the meetings: Deb Vaughn, who has managed the Senate website, reduced the paper the Senate has had to use for its meetings, and cheerfully served as the projectionist at every Senate meeting. (Ms. Vaughn was at this moment projecting an agenda the Secretary had provided her, one whose date, April, was correct but which contained several questionable items.¹ The Speaker ignored this agenda and followed the one previously published.) The Speaker also thanked Trisha Folds-Bennett for serving as Parliamentarian, Julia Eichelberger for serving as Faculty Secretary, and Bertie Mack for her cheerful and efficient service, which this year including learning to convert documents into suitable format for the Senate website. He also thanked all faculty for re-electing him as Speaker, and said he was looking forward to continuing the privilege of serving for the following year.

2. Approval of the Minutes

3. Reports
   The Speaker
   Faculty Educational Technology Committee

4. New Business

¹ Questionable items were as follows:

   3. Reports
      Office of Media and Technology:
         Report on Faculty Senate Reality TV Project

   4. New Business

Graduate Committee
   Proposals for New Graduate Courses:
      AMST 501 – Pranks in American Culture
      ENGL 501 – The Poetics of Faculty Minutes
      POLS 501 – Quibbling in Faculty Governance, 1990-2000

Committee on Nominations and Elections
   Ad Hoc Committee on Ad Hoc Committee Proliferation

Senator Mark Lazzaro
   Motion to endorse proposal from student organization “Axis of Evil”
Graduate Committee
Proposals for New Graduate Courses:
LALE 602 - Advanced Language Teaching Methodology
LALE 603 - Second Language Acquisition
LALE 690 - Special Topics in Language Education
FREN 602 - Modern Approaches to French Literature & Textual Analysis
Proposal to Change a Graduate Program:
MS in Mathematics
Proposals to Change Graduate Courses:
MATH 603 - Abstract Algebra I
MATH 611 - Real Analysis I
MATH 615 - Complex Analysis

Committee on Nominations and Elections
Election of Standing Senate Committees,
Approval of recommendations for four ad hoc committees
Nomination of a slate for 2003-04 Committee on Nominations & Elections
Election of Bookstore Advisory Council

Senator Mark Lazzaro
Motion to endorse proposal from student organization “Alliance for Planet Earth”

5. Constituents’ Concerns

---Speaker Hugh Wilder encouraged all faculty to attend May Commencement, and reminded everyone that the Spring Full Faculty meeting will take place on Monday, 21 April.

--The Committee on Nominations and Elections invited nominations for the makeup of their own committee in 2003-4. The following faculty were nominated:
Deanna Caveny (Mathematics); Todd Grantham (Philosophy and Religious Studies)
Dave Gentry (Psychology); Rich Heldrich (Chemistry and Biochemistry) Katina Strauch (Library); Luci Moreira (Hispanic Studies)
Additional nominations are in order until 11 April, and should be sent to the Speaker at wilderh@cofc.edu.

--The Committee on Nominations also offered the Senate a list of names for Ad Hoc Committees. Senators voted for seven names for each of the four committees. The following names were chosen by the Senate:
Committee on Communication Across the Curriculum: Sylvia Gamboa, Tom Heeney, Todd McNerny, Lindsay Packer, Betsy Martin, Howard Rudd.
Committee on Class Size: Deanna Caveny, Marion Doig, Linda Jones, Andrew Lewis, Nancy Nenno, Marty Perlmutter, Larry Carlson
Committee on Faculty Workload: Bob Mignone, Deborah Miller, Deanna McBroom, Bill Olejniczak, Joe Kelly, Allan Strand, Darryl Phillips
Committee on Information Technology Assessment: Christine Moore, Mike Marcell, David Mann, Caroline Hunt, Michael Phillips, Bob Fowler, Cass Runyon
The Senate will present this slate of names as a recommendation to the President and Provost, who will then appoint the faculty they choose to these committees.

--The Senate approved the slate that the Committee on Nominations proposed for the three standing Senate Committees (Budget, By-Laws, and Academic Planning). It also approved the Committee’s slate for members of a newly-formed Bookstore Advisory Council.

--All proposals from the Graduate Committee (four new courses, one program change, and three course changes) passed.

--The Senate approved a resolution sponsored by Senator Mark Lazzaro, who brought it before the Senate on behalf of the student organization “Alliance for Planet Earth.” This resolution asked that the College leave the Sottile Tree standing and that the President appoint an advisory committee, to be known as campus verderers, who would advise the administration on safeguarding the trees on campus.

Full Faculty Meeting (5:00 PM, Physicians Auditorium): Monday, April 21; agenda deadline Wednesday, April 9, 3:00 PM