To: Faculty
From: Julia Eichelberger, Faculty Secretary
About: September Senate meeting

**Highlights**

The Faculty Senate met on Tuesday, September 7, for an hour and a half. Here are the highlights (full minutes to follow):

--Susan Kattwinkel was elected Speaker Pro Tem for 2004-2005.

--Provost Elise Jorgens addressed the faculty regarding several initiatives now underway: changed requirements in the presentation of materials for tenure and promotion, a concerted effort to raise the College’s rate of retention, and a plan to re-examine the College’s general education requirements.

--Kristen Wing spoke to faculty about the College Bookstore, and announced that a survey on the bookstore’s practices had been developed by the Bookstore Advisory Committee and would be sent to faculty soon.

--Skip Godow reported to faculty on developments in the Lowcountry Graduate Center and on the increased resources that the LGC is now bringing to the College.

--The Speaker urged all faculty to attend the Fall Faculty on Monday, 13 September. Both the President and the Provost will address the faculty on important developments underway at the College.

--All proposals from the Curriculum Committee passed except for one, a proposal for BIOL 414/614 Environmental Immunology. This proposed course was to be cross-listed at both the graduate and the undergraduate level and requires the approval of the Graduate Committee before the Senate can vote on it, so it was remanded to this committee.

--The Committee on Nominations and Elections held two elections, with these results:

Elected to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee on the First Year Experience:
  Susan Kattwinkel, Theatre
  Chris Korey, Biology
  Melanie Kyer, German
  Jack Parson, Political Science
  Phillip Powell, Library
  RoxAnn Stalvey, Computer Science
  Trish Ward, English

Elected to serve on the Committee on Graduate and Continuing Education:
  Rohn England, Mathematics.