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Chairman	Vice Chairman	Executive Secretary	Parliamentarian
President Ronald M. Zaccari	Vice President L. Levy	Dr. R. Hull	Dr. D. Boyd

Minutes of June 20, 2002

The Valdosta State University Faculty Senate meeting convened at 3:30 p.m. in the Magnolia Room of the University Center. Members present were:

R.M. Zaccari, President
 L. Levy, Vice President, Academic Affairs
 R. Hull, Executive Secretary
 D. Boyd, Parliamentarian

Ex-Officio Senators:

J. Brignati	R. Mast
R. Devery (absent)	L. Milbrandt
R. Barnette (absent)	T. Reed (absent)
K. Stanley	M.A. Reichenbach
E. Clark	P. Allen
G. Gaumond (absent)	N. Argyle (proxy P. Allen)
M. Giddings (proxy C. Tandy)	

College of the Arts:

F. Barnas (absent)	J. Hornsby (absent)
M. Savoie	P. McNeill (absent)
D. Brooks (absent)	L. Indergaard (absent)
M. Morris (absent)	C. Coons

College Of Arts and Sciences:

T. Manning	B. Bergstrom (proxy D. Bogyo)	B. Derrick (absent)	J. Elza (absent)
C. Hand (absent)	M. Laughlin	M. Richard (absent)	D. Robinson
E. Sheeley	V. Soady (absent)	T. Thompson (absent)	K. Rumstay (absent)
T. Meyers (absent)	D. Bogyo	A. Lazari (absent)	C. Walker (absent)
D. Sewell	M. Smith (proxy M. Laughlin)	D. Boyd	K. Warner
J. Kinney (absent)	S. Childs (proxy K. Warner)		

College Of Business Administration:

M. Holland	B. Caster (absent)	F. Ware (proxy M. Holland)	R. Allen (absent)
P. Fadil (absent)			

College of Education:

L. Carter	G. Langford	A. Recesso (absent)	F. Smith (absent)
M. Garber (absent)	J. Hummel (proxy D. Briihl)	R. McClung	L. Wiley (absent)
L. Moore (absent)	S. Andrews	A. Brovey	R. Hull
M. Maina	J. Siegrist	D. Briihl	D. Judd (absent)
T. Enloe			

College Of Nursing:

L. Floyd	D. Ebron (absent)	D. Weaver (absent)
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Division Of Social Work:

M. Meacham (absent)

Odum Library:

S. Thomas	K. Smith
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Student Senator (non-voting)

President of the SGA:

Student appointed by SGA President:

Visitors:

Kathie Lowney, SOC/ANT/CJ

Jerry Wright - Registrar

1. Call to order - R. Zaccari opened the meeting announcing the following: In addition to the recently announced appointments of Dr. Levy, Dr. Keppler, and Ms. Gaskins, other forthcoming changes will be Mr. Russ Mast serving as Dean of Students, Ms. Laverne Gaskins' official title will be University Attorney. Dr. John Gaston will be Acting Dean for the College of the Arts, Dr. Sharon Gravett will be Acting Dean for the College of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Mark Smith will be Acting Department Head of English, effective July 1, 2002. Dr. James Baxter will be Acting Head of Chemistry, effective July 1, 2002. Dr. Edward Chatelain has been selected Department Head of Physics, Astronomy, and Geosciences following a national search, effective August 1, 2002. Dr. Victoria Soady will be Acting Department Head of Modern and Classical Languages, effective July 1, 2002. Dr. Len Weld has been selected Department Head of Accounting and Finance following a national search, effective July 1, 2002. Dr. Weld is presently at Troy State. The former position of Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs has been changed to Chief Planning Officer. Projected starting date of October 1, 2002. The positions of Dean of the Arts, Dean of Arts and Sciences, and Dean of Education are projected to be appointed January, 2003. The search for the Vice President for University Advancement will continue until filled.

Turned the chair over to the executive secretary.

2. **Approval of the minutes of the April 18, 2002, meeting of the Faculty Senate - The minutes were approved.**

3. Unfinished Business - There was no unfinished business.

4. New Business

a. Report from the Academic Committee - L. Levy referred to the Academic Committee Minutes of

February 11, March 11 and April 8, 2002. L. Levy noted the February 11 Minutes showed revisions that were approved at the April 18, 2002 Faculty Senate Meeting. L. Levy noted March 11 Minutes Item A, #4 was tabled and Item B, #1 revised admission requirements for the BSES, the rest of the Minutes were basically course changes or slight curriculum changes. L. Levy moved to approve the Minutes. D. Bogyo questioned March 11 Minutes, Item E asking - 1) What is the academic content of the AS course and 2) Is this an academic content course? D. Bogyo moved to separate March 11, 2002 Minutes, Item E from the Minutes, seconded C. Coons, motion was defeated. **The minutes were approved.** This report is included as Attachment #1.

- b. Report from the Committee on Committees - S. Thomas stated the Committee met and will have a written report.
 - c. Report from the Institutional Planning Committee - No report.
 - d. Report from the Faculty Affairs Committee - E. Sheeley stated there was no report.
 - e. Report from the Faculty Grievance Committee - A. Brovey stated there was no report.
 - f. Report from the Senate Executive Secretary - Dr. Robert Hull
 - 1. End of the Year Standing Committee annual reports:
 - a. Environmental Issues - D. Bogyo gave the report. This report is included as Attachment #2.
 - b. Educational Policies - L. Floyd gave the report. This report is included as Attachment #3.
 - c. Athletics - No report.
 - d. Academic Honors and Scholarship - No report.
 - e. Academic Scheduling and Procedures - M. Maina gave the report. The Academic Scheduling and Procedures Committee have completed the calendars through Summer 2004 which have already been approved by Faculty Senate. We will begin work on the Fall 2004 calendar sometime in early fall this year.
5. General Discussion - L. Levy referred to the Academic Affairs Handbook, Section 4.16.01 handout regarding interpretation of sick leave policy for full time faculty noting this was from the Board of Regents. R. McClung asked about #2 on the Academic Affairs Handbook questioning the definition of a forty-hour workweek since some faculty in the College of Education work only the weekends and not a typical Monday-Friday workweek. L. Levy stated that there was not a standardized workweek. This policy is included as Attachment #4.

T. Manning-As a faculty senator representing the sciences, I would like to propose that the university consider restructuring the College of Arts and Science into a College of Science, Math, Engineering and Technology (SMET). While there exist a perfectly collegial and friendly relationship with the liberal arts, the two areas are separate in terms of the professional hurdles they encounter in teaching, research and service. A number of issues, from faculty recruitment and retention to the opportunities afforded students in graduate and professional schools, teaching and industry - are somewhat unique in the SMET.

For the past decade no person with a graduate level degree in biology, chemistry, physics, math, astronomy, geology, or engineering has held an administrative position at the assistant deans level or higher nor in any cabinet level position at VSU. We believe its fair to state that these professions are critical to our region, both in its present economy and its future growth through education and technical development, and should have a significant voice in university decisions.

6. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.