



## FACULTY SENATE Est. 1991

---

Chairperson  
Patrick J. Schloss

Vice Chairperson  
Louis Levy

Executive Secretary  
Barney "Jay" Rickman

Parliamentarian  
Cindy Tandy

### Agenda March 26, 2009

The Faculty Senate will meet on Thursday, March 26, 2009 in the **MAGNOLIA ROOM** at 3:30 p.m.

Items in **bold print** are items that require action by the Faculty Senate. Other items are for information only.

**Special Request:** At the request of the Senate's Executive Committee, any actions sent to the Executive Secretary for possible inclusion in the Senate agenda should be accompanied by a written document with the rationale and purpose of the decision. The Executive Committee requests that these documents be submitted via email as Word.doc attachments.

1. Call to Order by Dr. Patrick J. Schloss  
For the benefit of record keeping, senators and visitors will please identify themselves when speaking to an issue during the meeting. Please use the microphones to assist with accurate recording. All senators must sign the roster in order to be counted present
2. **Approval of the minutes of the February 19, 2008 meeting of the Faculty Senate.**  
[http://www.valdosta.edu/facsen/meeting/minutes/documents/Senate\\_Minutes\\_2009-02-19.pdf](http://www.valdosta.edu/facsen/meeting/minutes/documents/Senate_Minutes_2009-02-19.pdf)
3. New business
  - a. **Report from the Academic Committee – Louis Levy [llevy@valdosta.edu](mailto:llevy@valdosta.edu)**  
See Attachment A for information on the Committee's Structure & Function.  
**See Attachment B for minutes of January 2009 meeting.**
  - b. Report from the Committee on Committees – Steven Kohn [sjkohn@valdosta.edu](mailto:sjkohn@valdosta.edu)
  - c. Report from the Institutional Planning Committee – Vesta Whisler  
[vrwhisler@valdosta.edu](mailto:vrwhisler@valdosta.edu)
  - d. Report from the Faculty Affairs Committee – Ruth Renee Hannibal  
[rrhannib@valdosta.edu](mailto:rrhannib@valdosta.edu)
  - e. Report from the Faculty Grievance Committee – Theresa Thompson  
[tthompson@valdosta.edu](mailto:tthompson@valdosta.edu)
  - f. Report from the Senate Executive Secretary – Jay Rickman [bjrickma@valdosta.edu](mailto:bjrickma@valdosta.edu)

1. Re-announce that the Senate's April 16, 2009 meeting will be in the Powell Hall Auditorium because of a scheduling conflict in the University Center.

2. **Election of the 2009-2010 Senate Executive Secretary conducted by Nominations Committee Chair Christine James and Parliamentarian Cindy Tandy.** As required by the *Senate Bylaws* (Article I, Section 4), "at the second Faculty Senate meeting of the spring semester, the Nominating Committee will submit at least one name (preferably two names) for the office of Executive Secretary, and, after other nominations have been called for from the floor, the vote will be taken in accordance with Article I, Section 8 of these Bylaws." *Senate Bylaws* (Article I, Section 8), "Voting will be by show of hands unless otherwise ordered by the Senate. Voting for the election of the Executive Secretary, however, will be by paper ballot."

3. **Standing Committee Chairs: Please begin to schedule meetings to prepare the Yearly Reports of the 11 Faculty Senate Standing Committees.** If you would like to review what your committee's report looked like last year, please see the attachments in the Minutes of the Faculty Senate's May 15, 2008 meeting: <http://www.valdosta.edu/facsen/meeting/minutes/documents/MinutesMay152008.pdf>  
Committee reports should be sent to Jay Rickman [bjrickma@valdosta.edu](mailto:bjrickma@valdosta.edu) in Word .doc or .docx format by **April 23, 2009** so that each committee report can be reviewed by the Executive Committee at its May 7, 2009 meeting, prior to the May 21, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting.

At the May 21, 2009 Senate meeting, each standing committee chair should be prepared to make a brief oral summary report for the Senate.

Academic Scheduling & Procedures: John Elder. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again in Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Academic Honors & Scholarships: Nanci Scheetz. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again in Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Athletics: Scot Raab. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again in Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Educational Policies: Michael Elliott. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Environmental Issues: Brad Bergstrom. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Faculty Development and Research: Karin Murray/Jennifer Lambert-Shute. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Library Affairs: Charles Talor. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Minority & Diversity Issues: Mark Kiyek. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Student Activities: Gina Doepker. This committee was reviewed & revised with help from Vice President Kurt Keppler in 2006-2007. It was renewed in May 2007 and will be reviewed again Spring 2010. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Student Services: Luis Bejarano. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

Technology: Mary Gorham-Rowan. This committee was reviewed & renewed in Spring 06, and will be reviewed again Spring 09. Yearly report to be given in May 09.

7. Old Business

8. Discussion

9. Adjournment

**ATTACHMENT A:**

**2008-2009  
Academic Committee**

ex officio

Louis Levy, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Chair

Stanley Jones, Acting Registrar, Secretary

**Faculty Senators**

College of the Arts	Lai Orenduff	(2008-2011)
College of Arts and Science	Marvin Smith	(2007-2010)
College of Business Administration	Bruce Caster	(2007-2010)**
College of Education	Lucia Lu	(2008-2011)
College of Nursing	Selen Lauterbach	(2006-2009)
Division of Social Work/Library	Alan Bernstein	(2006-2009)

**General Faculty+**

College of the Arts	William Faux	(2007-2010)
	Mike Savoie	(2006-2009)
College of Arts and Sciences	Frank Flaherty	(2007-2010)**
	Kathleen Lowney	(2008-2011)***
College of Business Administration	Ray Elson	(2006-2009)
	Bill Buchanan	(2006-2009)
College of Education	James Ernest	(2008-2011)**
	Iris Ellis	(2008-2011)**
College of Nursing	Deborah Weaver	(2006-2009)
	James Humphrey	(2007-2010)***
Division of Social Work	Diane Holliman	(2006-2009)**
Odum Library	Deborah VanPetten	(2008-2011)

**+Note: No limit exists as to the number of consecutive terms a General Faculty/non-Senator can be elected to a Statutory Committee**

**\* finish unexpired term \*\* elected to second term \*\*\*elected to third term, etc.**

---

**From:** Sharon Gravett [mailto:sgravett@valdosta.edu]

**Sent:** Friday, February 20, 2009 2:12 PM

**To:** Louis Levy

**Subject:** Academic Committee

Louis,

The pertinent section of the VSU Statutes describing the progress of curriculum changes from the Academic Committee to the Faculty Senate is below:

2007 Statutes, Academic Committee (pages 40-42)

(6) All approved proposals will be included in the Committee’s report to the Senate. A proposal, however, may be appealed to the Senate after the Academic Committee has disapproved it at two monthly meetings, whether consecutive or not.

(7) When voting on the Academic Committee’s report, the Senate is not empowered to make any substantive changes in a curriculum proposal.

From these items, it appears that, in general, the Faculty Senate is voting on the report not on the curriculum changes themselves. #7 could suggest that the Senate could vote to remand an item back to the Academic Committee while #6 says that a program could appeal a rejection from the Academic Committee to the Faculty Senate.

One of the issues does concern the time lag between the approval of the minutes of the Academic Committee (which occurs the meeting AFTER the items were approved) and the next available Faculty Senate meeting. This time lag can be particularly pronounced during the period between November through February since Faculty Senate does not have regularly scheduled December and February meetings (also, occasionally, the Academic Committee might not have a meeting if it does not have enough business).

The Academic Committee can discuss the issue and provide recommendations for ways better to facilitate the reporting process. By the way, all materials for the Academic Committee are now available online at <http://www.valdosta.edu/registrar/AcademicCommitteeMaterials.shtml>.

Sheri  
 Sharon L. Gravett, Ph.D.  
 Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs  
 Valdosta State University  
 Valdosta, GA 31698

**ACADEMIC COMMITTEE MATERIALS**

[HTTP://WWW.VALDOSTA.EDU/REGISTRAR/ACADEMICCOMMITTEEMATERIALS.SHTML](http://www.valdosta.edu/registrar/AcademicCommitteeMaterials.shtml)

**2008-2009 Meeting Dates**

---

The Academic Committee generally meets the second Monday of each month at 2:30pm in the University Center. To appear in the 2009-2010 printed catalogues, all course and curriculum changes must have passed Academic Committee by February 2009. Please try and submit your items early to avoid us having very large packets and long meeting in January and February.

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Submission Deadline</u>
October	October 20, 2008	September 29, 2008
November	November 10, 2008	October 27, 2008
December	December 8, 2008	November 24, 2008
January	January 26, 2009	December 19, 2008
February	February 16, 2009	January 26, 2009
March	March 9, 2009	February 23, 2009
April	April 13, 2009	March 30, 2009
May	May 11, 2009	April 27, 2009
June	June 8, 2009	May 26, 2009

**ATTACHMENT B:**

VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY  
ACADEMIC COMMITTEE MINUTES  
January 26, 2009

The Academic Committee of the Valdosta State University Faculty Senate met in the University Center Cypress Room on Monday, January 26, 2009. Dr. Sharon Gravett, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, presided.

Members Present: Dr. Lai Orenduff, Dr. Marvin Smith, Dr. Bruce Caster, Dr. Selen Lauterbach, Mr. Alan Bernstein, Dr. William Faux, Mr. Mike Savoie, Dr. Kathe Lowney, Dr. Frank Flaherty, Dr. Ray Elson, Dr. James Ernest, Dr. Iris Ellis, and Mr. Alan Bernstein (proxy for Ms. Deborah VanPetten).

Members Absent: Dr. Lucia Lu, Dr. Bill Buchanan, Dr. James Humphrey, Dr. Diane Holliman, Dr. Deborah Weaver, and Ms. Deborah VanPetten.

Visitors Present: Dr. Robert Gannon, Dr. James Shrader, Dr. Melissa Benton, Dr. Kristina Cragg, Dr. Karla Hull, Dr. James LaPlant, and Dr. Lyle Indergaard.

The Minutes of the December 8, 2008, Academic Committee meeting were approved (pages 1-2).

**A. College of Nursing**

1. Revised credit hours, Nursing (NURS) 7332K, “Advanced Nursing for Health Restoration of Adults: Lab”, (ADV NUR HLTH RSTR AD CL LAB – 3 credit hours, 0 lecture hours, 9 lab hours, and 9 contact hours), was approved effective Spring Semester 2009. (pages 3-5).

**B. LIBRARY SCIENCE**

1. Clarification of narrative for the MLIS program/degree in the graduate catalog was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 6-12).
2. Revised curriculum for the MLIS degree – optional track Reference Sources and Services was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 13-15).
3. Revised course description, Library Science (MLIS) 7110, “Online Searching”, (ONLINE SEARCHING – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved with the effective date changed Fall Semester 2009. (pages 16-19).

**C. College of Arts and Sciences**

1. Deactivation of the BS in Mathematics with an option in Computer Science was approved/noted (page 20)

2. Deactivation of ENGL 2140, 3080, 3090, 3600, 4500, 4520, and 6000 was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 . (pages 21-22).
3. New course, Biology (BIOL) 4020, “Topics is Conservation Biology”, (SP TOPICS CONSERVATION – 2-4 credit hours, 2-3 lecture hours, 0-3 lab hours, and 2-6 contact hours), was approved effective Summer Semester 2009 with the description changed – “The study of” deleted from the beginning – a “,” was added after habitats in the first line – “aforementioned” was changed to “them” in the fourth line. (pages 23-28).
4. New course, Biology (BIOL) 6020, “Topics is Conservation Biology”, (SP TOPICS CONSERVATION – 2-4 credit hours, 2-3 lecture hours, 0-3 lab hours, and 2-6 contact hours), was approved effective Summer Semester 2009 with the description changed – “The study of” deleted from the beginning – a “,” was added after habitats in the first line – “aforementioned” was changed to “them” in the fourth line. (pages 29-34).
5. Revised course prefix, Integrated Science (ISCI) 3000, “Science for Early Childhood Education Teachers”, (SCI FOR ERLY CHILDHD EDUC TCHR – 3 credit hours, 2 lecture hours, 1 lab hour, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 35-38). Deactivation of SCI 3000.
6. Revised course prefix and description, Integrated Science (ISCI) 3101, “Matter and Energy for Middle Grades Education”, (MATTER & ENERGY MID GRADE ED – 4 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 2 lab hour, and 5 contact hours), was approved with the effective date changed to Fall Semester 2009. (pages 39-42). Deactivation of SCI 3101.
7. Revised course prefix and description, Integrated Science (ISCI) 3102, “Earth and Space Science for Middle Grades Education”, (EARTH & SPACE SCI MID GRADE ED – 4 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 2 lab hour, and 5 contact hours), was approved with the effective date changed to Fall Semester 2009. (pages 43-46). Deactivation of SCI 3102.
8. Revised course prefix and description, Integrated Science (ISCI) 3103, “Natural History for Middle School Teachers”, (NATURAL HISTORY MID SCH TEACH – 4 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 2 lab hour, and 5 contact hours), was approved with the effective date changed to Fall Semester 2009. (pages 47-50). Deactivation of SCI 3103.
9. New course, Criminal Justice (CRJU) 4670, “Terrorism”, (TERRORISM – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 51-56).

10. Revised course description, Sociology (SOCl) 4540, “Internship in Sociology”, (INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY – 3-9 credit hours, 3-9 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3-9 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 57-60).

**D. College of the Arts**

1. Corrections to the narratives for the Art Department was approved/noted (pages 61-62).
2. Deactivation of ARID 3340 and 4210 was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (page 63).
3. Revised Educational Outcomes and Assessments for the BM in Music Performance was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 64-66).
4. Revised Educational Outcomes and Assessments for the BM in Music Education was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 67-70).
5. Revised Educational Outcomes and Assessments for the BA in Music was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 71-73).
6. Revised course description, Music (MUSC) 3860, “Orchestra”, (ORCHESTRA – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 3 lab hour, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the correction of the spelling of “principal” in the course description. (pages 74-76).
7. Revised narrative for the Principal Applied courses was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 77-79).
8. Revised narrative for the Major Applied courses was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 80-82).
9. Revised narrative and degree requirements for the MMed and MMP was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 83-100).
10. New course, Music (MUSC) 7740, “Advanced Pedagogy of Choral Conducting”, (ADV PED CHORAL CONDUCTING – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 2 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 101-106).
11. New course, Mass Media (MDIA) 4650, “Digital Media Journalism”, (DIGITAL MEDIA JOURNALISM – 4 credit hours, 2 lecture hours, 4 lab hours, and 6 contact hours), was



approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...the web based and mobile based... and a comma added after “audio” in 4<sup>th</sup> line of the description. (pages 107-110).

12. Revised curriculum for the BFA in Mass Media – Broadcast Journalism Emphasis was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 111-113).
13. New Educational Outcomes for the BFA in Mass Media was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 114-116).
14. Revised narrative for the Department of Communication Arts was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 117-121).
15. Revised Educational Outcomes for the BFA in Theatre was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 122-124).
16. Revised Outcomes Assessments for the BFA in Theatre was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 125-127).
17. New Educational Outcomes for the BFA in Dance was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 128-130).
18. New Outcomes Assessments for the BFA in Dance was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 131-133).
19. Revised credit hours, Theatre Arts (THEA) 2750, “Basic Technical Theatre and Stage Lighting”, (BASIC TECHNCL THEA/STAGE LIGHT – 3 credit hours, 2 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 4 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 134-136).
20. Revised Core Area C requirements for the BFA in Theatre was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 137-139).
21. Revised Core Area F requirements for the BFA in Theatre was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 140-142).
22. New course, Theatre Arts (THEA) 4020, “Advanced Theatre Voice”, (ADVANCED

THEATRE VOICE – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 2 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...styles, and musical... . (pages 143-146).

23. Revised credit hours, Theatre Arts (THEA) 3020, “Theatre Voice”, (THEATRE VOICE – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 2 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 147-149).
24. Revised senior curriculum for the BFA in Theatre was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 150-154).
25. New course, Theatre Arts (THEA) 3725, “Stage Management Practicum”, (STAGE MANAGEMENT PRACTICUM – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 2 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 155-159).
26. Revised requirements for the minor in Theatre Arts was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 160-162).
27. Revised senior curriculum for the BFA in Speech Communication was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 163-166).
28. Revised course description, Communication Arts (COMM) 2300, “Interpersonal Communication”, (INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION – 1 credit hour, 0 lecture hours, 2 lab hours, and 2 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 147-149).
29. New course, Theatre Arts (THEA) 3010, “Oral Interpretation”, (ORAL INTERPRETATION – 2 credit hours, 1 lecture hour, 2 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 170-172). Deactivation of COMM 3010.
30. Revised course description, Communication Arts (COMM) 3550, “Managing Diversity”, (MANAGING DIVERSITY – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...applied study of theories of diversity in the organizational setting, particularly as applied to managing... . (pages 173-175).
31. Revised course description and title, Communication Arts (COMM) 4200, “Public Relations Research”, (PUBLIC RELATIONS RESEARCH – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 176-178).

32. Revised course description, Communication Arts (COMM) 4220, “Integrated Communication”, (INTEGRATED COMMUNICATION – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...process, through creative use... and one of the “and” was removed from the prerequisite. (pages 179-181).
33. Revised course title, Communication Arts (COMM) 4240, “Public Relations Law and Ethics”, (PR LAW AND ETHICS – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 182-184).
34. Revised course description, Communication Arts (COMM) 4340, “Public Relations Research”, (PUBLIC RELATIONS RESEARCH – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...major. Theories of ... . (pages 185-187).
35. Revised course description and title, Communication Arts (COMM) 4440, “Intercultural Training”, (INTERCULTURAL TRAINING – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 188-190).
36. Revised course description, credit hours, and title, Communication Arts (COMM) 4600, “Special Topics in Communication Theory”, (TOPICS IN COMM THEORY – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009 with the description changed to read ...specialized communication theories... . (pages 191-193).
37. Deactivation of COMM 4650 was noted effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 194-196).
38. Deactivation of COMM 2400 was noted effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 197-199).
39. Revised senior curriculum for the BFA in Speech Communication – General Speech Emphasis was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 200-202).
40. Revised Outcomes Assessments for the BFA in Speech Communication was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (Pages 203-205).
41. Revised credit hours, Communication Arts (COMM) 3330, “Interviewing”, (INTERVIEWING – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was

approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 206-208).

42. Revised credit hours, Communication Arts (COMM) 3310, “Listening”, (LISTENING – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 209-211).

43. Revised course description, Communication Arts (COMM) 3100, “Small Group Communication”, (SMALL GROUP COMMUNICATION – 3 credit hours, 3 lecture hours, 0 lab hours, and 3 contact hours), was approved effective Fall Semester 2009. (pages 212-214).

Respectfully submitted,  
Stanley Jones  
Interim Registrar