FSU FACULTY SENATE MEETING

October 16, 2008.


Lyons Science Annex, rm. 120, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

1) Call to Order. Meeting called to order by Chair of the Faculty Senate, John Mattox.

2) Report of Interim Provost Jon Young. Reviewed Guidelines for Advisement and Retention Report for Spring 2008. Dr. Young also answered questions related to the role of the faculty in the Academic Credits Committee by Dr. Stanley Johnson. Dr. Young continued with an overview of the budget crisis with faculty (fact sheet).

3) Agenda Approval. Motion by Dr. Stanley Johnson to approve; Michael O’Shea second. 
MOTION PASSES TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

Quorum check. 31 Senate Members present.

4) Revision of FSU’s Mission Statement. Presentation of a final draft for approval by the Faculty Senate. Presentation by Dr. Bertha Miller. Dr. Miller summarized the process by which the committee, comprised of administrators, faculty and students, met to propose the draft of Fayetteville State University Mission statement. Highlighted the aim of aligning with UNC tomorrow initiative. Motion to approve. Dan Okhomina; Heather Griffiths second. 
MOTION PASSES TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED MISSION STATEMENT.

5) Approval of the minutes from the 9/18/08 Meeting. Minutes were not submitted by Secretary, to be reviewed and approved at the November meeting.

6) Chair’s Report. Chair announced that the BD-119 document for the 07-08 year is now linked from the senate web page. Dr. Young, interim Provost, is proposing chair policy to the Chancellor without chair term limits as specified in the Senate resolution of 4/17/08.

7) Ratification of the executive committee’s nomination of Senators to join the FSU delegation for the SACS meeting in Texas. Senate members to attend the meeting will be Michelle Darnell, Gloria Elliott and Dean Swinford. Dr. Blanch Curry suggested an additional senator to attend, as Elliot will be representing Faculty Assembly. Inquiries to be referred to Dr. Mattox.

8) Committee Reports

Faculty Assembly delegation. Gloria Elliott. Announced that a reception with President Bowles will be held on October 24.

ITTS Committee. ABSENT.
Faculty Development and Evaluation. ABSENT

Faculty Welfare. Dr. Jane Peacock invited the faculty to sign-up for this committee. Recent issues included faculty compensation for independent study assignments.

Committee on Committee. Dr. Blanch Curry. Suggested that our faculty assembly delegates try to reserve a van for future faculty assembly meetings.

Student Affairs. Assoc. Prof. S. Hernandez-Hinek. Committee will meet next Tuesday, 3:30, Rosenthal Gallery. Currently reviewing the charge statement and Student Fees.


Budget and Planning. Dr. T. Williams. Worked to propose two items: Phase I, BD-119 accessibility. Phase II, input on Budget process of the University. There are two opportunities for this. The new composition of the committee and the Chair will now serve on University committee.

Academic Affairs. Michelle Darnell. Three general issues. 1. The possible adoption of new software for the submission of proposals. 2. October 28 is the deadline for proposal submissions. 3. Proposal for M.A. in International Studies has been submitted for approval. Dr. Kamalu, provided an overview of the proposal. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Lisa Barlow to refer the proposal back to the Academic Affairs committee when it was complete and all of the mistakes were corrected. After substantial discussion, this motion was defeated.

Faculty votes to unanimously to approve proposal for M.A. in International Studies with the changes that were discussed. Darnell & Mattox are to sign off on the final document.

9) Discussion of the Revision of the Senate Governance Documents. Mattox briefly reviewed suggested revisions to the Senate Charter.

10) Additional new business. None.


12) Adjournment. 3:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by S. Hernandez-Hinek, Secretary