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**Minutes
Faculty Senate Meeting
October 10, 1996**

Ms. Kristine Palmer, Chair, called the meeting of the Longwood College Faculty Senate to order at 11:20 a.m. in the Prince Edward Room. The following members were present:

Dr. McRae Amoss	Dr. Berkwood Farmer	Dr. James Munson	Dr. Robert Wu
Dr. Jennifer Apperson	Dr. Frank Howe	Dr. Geoff Orth	Dr. Douglas Young
Mr. Mark Baldrige	Mr. Richard Hurley	Dr. Darryl Poole	
Dr. Patrick Barber	Ms. Denise James	Dr. Charles Ross	
Dr. William Burger	Dr. Chrystyna Kosarchyn	Dr. Ellery Sedgwick	
Dr. David Carkenord	Dr. Patricia Lust	Dr. Pat Shank	
Dr. Patricia Cormier	Ms. Phyllis Mable	Dr. Betty Jo Simmons	
Ms. Linda Cranston	Dr. Wayne McWee	Dr. Donald Stuart	

Drs. Vincent Cibbarelli and Jeffery Peden were absent.

The minutes of the August 29, 1996, Faculty Senate Meeting were approved as distributed.

On behalf of the EPC, Dr. Lust moved that POSC 245 -- Gender and Politics -- be approved for General Education (copy attached to official minutes). The motion carries.

On behalf of the EPC, Dr. Lust moved the adoption of the recommendation that the swimming proficiency be dropped from the general education Goal #9 requirements, effective immediately (copy attached to official minutes). The motion carries. Dr. Poole will contact the Attorney General's Office regarding the legal implications for those who did not graduate because of the requirement.

On behalf of the EPC, Dr. Lust informed the Senate of the new courses recently approved for publication in next year's catalog (copy attached to official minutes).

Ms. Onie McKenzie informed the Senate that the Senior Assessment Plan is a new and improved vehicle. Details about the 1997 plan appear in the memo from Ms. McKenzie to Faculty Senate and Department Chairs (copy attached to official minutes).

Dr. Poole apprised the Senate on the status of the searches for the two School deans. The balloting for faculty representation on the committee was completed in early September. The new guidelines are being followed for the selection process. Search committees will soon be charged and advertisements will be placed.

Dr. Cormier then informed the Senate of the reorganization in the Academic Affairs area which involved Graduate and Continuing Studies. Mr. Jerry Hughes will oversee the continuing education portion and his new title will be Director of Continuing Education and Economic

Development. Mr. Hughes will work through Dr. Poole and the deans and the faculty will decide the curriculum and faculty credentials. Dr. Apperson will be the Director of Graduate Programs and will oversee the graduate staff persons. The conference and facilities staff will move to the business affairs area responsible for conferences.

Dr. Poole then gave a brief writing assessment update. A sample of seniors will be tested using the TSWE and the results will be compared to freshman scores. The outcome will determine what's done next. Writing across the curriculum is an issue that the general education assessment committee is looking at too.

Dr. Poole reported that the October 1996 Restructuring Report Update has been sent to SCHEV for review. The report is available for review. He had hoped that the update could be sent out electronically to the campus community but the lotus file format of the matrix was not workable.

Mr. Hurley gave a report on the Core Performance Measures (copy attached to official minutes) submitted to SCHEV in September. Longwood had to come up with baseline data which would be published in a consolidated report from SCHEV. The faculty productivity measure will be discussed and Longwood will hear more later.

Ms. Palmer reported back, as stated in the by-laws, on the action items from the August 29, 1996, Senate Meeting. The program review and the deans search process items were forwarded to Vice President Poole for action and were approved.

Other business coming before the Senate included a thank-you from President Cormier for attending the open forums. She will come back to the campus with a position paper reflecting on what she thought she heard from the campus community during the open forums. She will then develop a plan of action engaging the campus in the plan. The President also apprised the Senate that she is visiting the legislators trying to establish a relationship with Longwood College and the legislature. Dr. Cormier also noted that SCHEV will be here March 2-3, 1997 because the SCHEV staff wants to meet faculty and students on a casual basis.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m..


Submitted for approval by Nancy Scruggs, Secretary