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**Minutes
Faculty Senate Meeting
December 12, 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. Donald Stuart
Dr. Jennifer Apperson	Dr. Frank Howe	Dr. Geoff Orth	Dr. Robert Wu
Dr. Patrick Barber	Mr. Richard Hurley	Dr. Darryl Poole	Dr. Douglas Young
Dr. William Burger	Dr. Chrystyna Kosarchyn	Dr. Charles Ross	
Dr. David Carkenord	Dr. Patricia Lust	Dr. Ellery Sedgwick	
Dr. Vincent Cibbarelli	Ms. Phyllis Mable	Dr. Pat Shank	
Ms. Linda Cranston	Dr. Wayne McWee	Dr. Betty Jo Simmons	

Mr. Mark Baldrige, Dr. Patricia Cormier, and Ms. Denise James were absent.

The minutes of the November 14, 1996, Faculty Senate Meeting were approved as distributed.

On behalf of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee, Dr. Barber moved that following Resolution be approved. The motion carries.

The Longwood Faculty supports and applauds President Cormier's decisive actions regarding the lack of sprinklers in the Longwood College dormitories. These actions reflect a sound sense of priorities and effective determination to solve important problems facing the college.

Mr. Hurley responded on behalf of President Cormier. The President formed a Fire Safety Task Force to look at fire safety issues on the campus. The group met twice and filed a report which included approximately eighteen recommendations. Students will be surveyed regarding sprinkler systems, fire drills, fire exits. The College will move to install sprinklers in the high-rise dormitories. Another report will be filed by late January.

Dr. Poole, on behalf of President Cormier, gave highlights of the proposed honorary degree policy. The proposal includes the creation of a subcommittee of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board Comprised of faculty and Board members, and outlines a timetable and process for nominations and selection. While it is the Board of Visitors prerogative to award honorary degrees, they are seeking to involve faculty in the decision process.

On behalf of the EPC, Dr. Lust moved that the general education assessment report be approved for General Education (copy attached to official minutes). The motion carries. Dr. Stuart commended the work of the ad hoc committee for the quality of the report. Drs. Frank Howe, Jeffery Peden and Ellery Sedgwick will work on the details of the standing committee and report back to Faculty Senate by February. Ms. Palmer thanked Dr. Ruth Meese for her summary of the report and the time and effort required to present such a comprehensive, well-written report.

On behalf of the EPC, Dr. Lust informed the Senate that paperwork (1) to make a change in the Exercise Science Program and (2) to make a change in the Art Program (copy attached to official minutes) had been processed and sent forward to the Registrar's Office.

Dr. Poole reported that the progress has not been made in reducing the workload of faculty. SCHEV began talking about performance indicators which includes as one part faculty productivity. Dr. Poole will bring this back to Senate.

Ms. Palmer reported that the President's Installation Ceremony will be held on April 11, 1997, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Due to the small number of instructors involved, classes will not be canceled. Before Christmas break, Dr. Poole will notify instructors of classes scheduled to meet on or after 2:30 p.m. that day that they may cancel, reschedule, or meet their classes. The ceremony will take approximately two hours to complete with a community affair following.

Ms. Palmer reported back, as stated in the by-laws, on the action items from the November 14, 1996, Senate Meeting. The revision in the grade appeals process, the revisions for Academic Honors requirements, and that the Secondary Teaching Licensure for Computer Science items were forwarded to Vice President Poole for action and were approved.

Other business coming before the Senate included:

Ms. Palmer brought to the Senators' attention items referred to committees by the Executive Committee: (1) concerns about the withdrawal policy to EPC; (2) concerns about the English Proficiency Test to EPC; and (3) ad hoc committee report on student evaluation to the Faculty Development Committee.

Ms. Palmer also opened the floor for concern about the 8:30 a.m. Monday deadline for submitting grades to the Registrar. Much concern was stated, but due to the negotiations made last year pertaining to December commencement, there is no room available to allow for turning grades in at a later time.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, Dr. Barber moved that the Senate approve for graduation this December those seniors who meet the academic requirements for the appropriate degree. The motion carries.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.


Submitted for approval by Nancy Scruggs, Secretary