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Minutes
Opening Faculty Meeting
Friday, August 22, 2003
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Dr. Howe called the opening faculty meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and asked for a minute of silence in memory and honor of Ed Smith.

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the March 27, 2003, faculty meeting; they were accepted as distributed.

The next item of business was the election of a faculty representative to the Board of Visitors. Dr. Flanigan moved the nomination of Robert May; the nomination was seconded. Dr. Hall moved the nomination of Mc Amoss. The nomination was seconded. Robert May was elected to serve this year.

Dr. Howe reported that several faculty members had nominated Ed Smith to become a Board of Visitors Distinguished Professor. The nomination has been forwarded by the Senate Executive Committee to the Provost, by him to the President, and she will undoubtedly forward it to the Board of Visitors.

Dr. Howe called on Bob Webber who reported for the Faculty Status Committee of 2002-3. There were no cases last year. He introduced Charlie Kinzer who will chair the committee this year. Charlie explained that the committee, which hears faculty grievances, will consist of Craig Challender, Jim Munson, Pat Barber, and Darryl Poole in addition to himself.

Dr. Howe presented two items of information arising from the last meeting of the Board of Visitors. First, the Board rejected changes in the speaking-intensive course policy that had been approved by the Senate. Second, Dr. Bregman did not forward to the Board the revised policy on field supervision of student teachers passed by the Senate last February. Dr. Bregman wanted more information on the latter policy before presenting it to the Board but assured the Executive Committee that the policy would be sent to the Board for consideration at the October meeting. The Executive committee presented the following motion to the faculty:

The Longwood Faculty appreciates the work of the Board of Visitors on behalf of Longwood and recognizes its legal authority as the governing body of the university. We especially appreciate efforts of the Board on the matter of faculty salaries. However, we also believe that at any quality university or college there should be an appropriate delegation of responsibilities and that the faculty should be in charge of curriculum and general education. In order to support this core principle, we ask that the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate refer the speaking intensive policy to the General Education Committee and that this committee work with the academic departments and Faculty Senate to develop proposals regarding the speaking intensive policy and its implementation that have the support of the faculty.

The motion carried.

Dr. Howe introduced Dr. Bregman, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, who commended those who worked so hard to produce the NCATE report. He also announced that the book with the results of Project DEEP and the National Survey of Student Engagement would be out soon and attributed Longwood's standing to the faculty's commitment.

He introduced Dr. Nancy Blattner, Interim Associate Provost for Graduate Studies and Support Programs and then called on Dr. David Cordle to introduce new faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences. Dr. Cordle announced some administrative changes first: Joanna Baker has been named Director of Liberal Studies, Dr. Chuck Ross Chairman of the Department of Natural Sciences, and Dr. Pam Tracy Director of Women's Studies. The following were introduced by department:

Art:	Ms. Anna Cox Ms. Mara Adamitz Scrupe
Communications Studies and Theatre:	Ms. Naomi Johnson
English and Modern Languages:	Ms. Susan L. Booker Ms. Mary A. Carroll-Hackett Dr. Greg Salyer Dr. Shawn Smith Ms. Guiomar C. Fages
History, Political Science, Philosophy:	Mr. Thomas J. Laub Mr. Philip C. Blaker
Mathematics and Computer Science:	Dr. Phillip L. Poplin Mr. Clarence E. Davis
Music	Mr. Dennis Malfatti Mr. Christopher Swanson
Natural Sciences:	Mr. Patrick Crumrine Dr. George Edward Hooks, III Ms. Ann B. Mayo
Psychology:	Mr. Gregory Preuss Ms. Susan N. Reeves
Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice Studies:	Dr. Carla Marie Riden Mr. Dave Barciz Dr. Michael P. Phelan

Dr. Bregman introduced Dr. Wayne McWee, Interim Dean of the College of Business and Economics, who announced that Dr. Mitchell Adrian would chair the Department of Management, Marketing, and Computer Information, and that Mr. Bob Dame would be Assistant Dean for External Affairs. Mr. Dame is also the Director of the John B. & Page Cook Axson McGaughy Professional Development Center. Dr. McWee introduced the following new faculty members:

Management, Marketing, and Computer Information:	Mr. Roy R. Creasy, Jr.
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Accounting, Economics, and Finance:

Ms. Abigail H. O'Connor
Dr. Glenn S. Dardick
Dr. Bennie D. Waller, Jr.
Dr. John N. Gaskins
Dr. Robert Cochran
Dr. Roman Cech

Dr. Bregman introduced Dr. Sue McCullough who announced two administrative changes in the College of Education and Human Services. Dr. Judy Johnson will be the Associate Dean of the College, and Dr. Jim Pirkle will be the Director of the Office of Professional Services.

Dr. McCullough introduced the following new faculty:

Health, Physical Education,
Recreation, and Dance:

Dr. Lisa M. Olenik, Chair
Dr. Sharon Gaunt
Ms. Margaret A. Frederick
Mr. Jason West

Education, Special Education,
Social Work, Communication
Disorders:

Ms. Frances M. Reeve
Dr. Gerry R. Sokol
Dr. Jeannine R. Perry

Dr. Bregman called then on Dr. Calvin Boyer who introduced Ms. Virginia Roberts Kinman who is joining the Library staff.

Dr. Pierson introduced two new members of his staff, Dr. Rick Chassey, who is the Director of Honor and Judicial Programs, and Mr. Jeromy Runion, Director of Campus Recreation.

President Cormier began her address to the faculty with a tribute to Ed Smith and an invitation to the memorial service for him on August 26. She then commended all those involved in the NCATE study for their very hard work that resulted in a superb report. She alluded to the recent budget difficulties, the successful campaign, the recovery of the Foundation portfolio, and the difficulties posed by the weather to the work on Brock Commons. The dedication is still scheduled for November 8. In addition, construction of the science building is beginning, and the target date is the fall of 2005. Since the bid came in under budget, there is money for the equipment the department wants. An 80,000 square foot Recreation Center is projected to begin a year from now. Other topics touched on by the President include Safety in the Workplace and the 12-point rise in the average SAT scores for freshmen.

The President introduced Dr. Theresa Clark and Dr. Larissa Smith who made a presentation about the year's focus on the 50th anniversary of the Brown vs. the Board of Education case and announced the availability in the near future of a web site that would detail the events they outlined.

The President warned the faculty of an upcoming anti-abortion demonstration scheduled for September 16-19 and talked about the background for that event. The group must be allowed to demonstrate, but they will be outside buildings, not in the halls or classrooms.

Finally she spoke of Longwood's participation in the NSSE (National Survey of Student Engagement) and DEEP (Documenting Effective Educational Practices) projects and the credit accruing to Longwood because of our scores and student satisfaction. The achievements will bring Longwood University national recognition.

Dr. Flanigan moved the adjournment of the meeting. The motion was seconded and Dr. Howe adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Susan May