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Faculty Senate Meeting

December 8, 2005

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Dr. Hall called the December meeting of the Faculty Senate to order at 3:30 p.m. The following members were present:

Dr. Cheryl Adkins	Dr. Ed Kinman	Dr. Jeffery Peden
Dr. Brian Bates	Ms. Virginia Kinman	Dr. Carmen Phelps
Dr. Chris Bjornsen	Dr. Chrystyna	Dr. Tim Pierson
Dr. Rhonda Brock-Servais	Kosarchyn	Dr. Keith Rider
Dr. Craig Challenger	Dr. Robert Lynch	Dr. Gordon Ring
Dr. David Coles	Dr. Melanie Marks	Dr. Charles Ross
Dr. Joe Garcia	Dr. Wayne McWee	Dr. Larissa Smith
Dr. Chris Jones	Dr. Ruth Meese	Dr. Pamela Tracy
Dr. Stephen Keith	Ms. Sharon Menegoni	Dr. Linda Wright
	Dr. Kelly Nelson	

Members absent were Dr. Evelyn Hume, Dr. Deneese Jones, Dr. Sue McCullough, Ms. Kathy Worster, Ms. Sara Qualkinbush. Also attending was Ms. Alecia Knox.

The minutes were approved as distributed.

For the EPC report Dr. Hall called on Ms. Menegoni who explained briefly the information items. She moved approval of the policy draft for disciplinary suspension (attached to the agenda). The motion passed.

Dr. Hall called on Dr. Wright who reported on the progress of the ad hoc committee on broadcast e-mail. The committee has studied the results of the questionnaire and identified five areas of concern:

Most people want official messages (the term needs definition)

Most do not want personal messages (an alternative place will be considered)

Most do want open discussions of issues

The committee will discuss opt-in and opt-out issues considering what the faculty and IITS want

The committee will consider sanctions for those who violate the policy

Dr. Wright assured the Senate that monitoring has not been and will not be a part of the policy. She also asked Senators who had suggestions about these topics to send them to her to share with the committee.

Dr. McWee gave an update on security; after alluding to the breaches at two community colleges that had no policy for dealing with emergencies, he assured the Senate that a policy for Longwood was under development.

Dr. McWee then informed the Senate about the status of the Big South application. The Big South has delayed making a decision and Longwood hopes that at the organization's meeting in June they will take action. The IAC has suggested looking at alternatives in the meantime; MEAC (the Mid-Eastern Atlantic Coast Conference) and Sun Atlantic (which would require heavy travel) are being considered.

Dr. McWee gave a progress report in the NCAA certification process. Four sub-committees are at work with a due date for draft reports of the first day of class in January. The final report will be sent to the Senate for review and will be posted on the Athletic Department's website available to all faculty. The peer review committee will be on campus next year.

Dr. Hall called for Senate volunteers to look at the NCAA report and make comments to the Senate. Drs. Coles, Lynch, and Hall will undertake this task.

Chief Lowe has asked for Senators to serve on the parking committee. Drs. Marks and Peden will serve. The committee will consider everything but finances, which are in the purview of the University budget committee which includes the Senate's Committee on Finance and Planning.

Dr. Hall mentioned the ad hoc by-laws committee and asked those who have concerns to send them to Dr. Brock-Servais who will be calling the first meeting of that committee.

Ms. Menegoni moved adjournment; the motion was seconded and the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Susan May