

**Georgia Southwestern State University
Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes**

Date: January 22nd, 2010
Place: SGA Conference Room
Time: 8:00 AM
Presiding: Dr. Gary Fisk
Attendees: Dr. Kendall Blanchard, Kathy Barnetson, Carol Bishop, Genie Bryan, Julia Dorminey, Kailish Ghimire, Cecilia Maldonado, Paul Shapiro, Bonnie Simmons, Brian Smith
Guest: Sam Miller

Agenda Item	Discussion	Outcome
Statement from the President	<p>The following reports were given by Dr. Blanchard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) One-half of the Capitol Project was cut from the budget which included the new Health & Human Science Building on campus. Dr. Blanchard is working with local Representatives to convince the Governor to reinstate these building funds. The hope is that funds will be available next year. (b) Enrollment is up 9% over last spring, but may decrease to 7-8% after removal of non-payments. (c) A new system to evaluate University Presidents has been developed by Tom Jones, retired from Armstrong Atlantic. Robert Atwell, a BOR consultant, will be on campus on February 8th & 9th to meet with faculty leaders regarding this matter. An open session to meet one-on-one with the consultant to discuss the evaluation will be held on February 9th. (d) The Board of Regent's fall meeting in October will be held on the GSW campus. This may require moving several classes from the new addition of the 	

	<p>Administrative Building for this meeting.</p> <p>(e) As of this date, the BOR has cleared only 3 scheduled furlough days for the current semester.</p> <p>(f) Senate members were encouraged to meet with Chancellor Davis on January 28th in the President's Conference Room.</p>	
Disruptive Student Protocol	<p>Dr. Miller reported that there were two incidents of disruptive behavior by students on campus last semester, with one leading to the suspension of the student from the University. Therefore a protocol was needed to follow in the future if other incidents occurred. The recommendation was made that the protocol (see attached) be placed in all pertinent publications of the University (i.e. next issue of the Bulletin). Motion was made by Julia Dorminey to make minor corrections to the document and add the protocol to the Faculty Handbook. Seconded by Carol Bishop.</p>	<p>Approved by Senate. Julia Dorminey to make minor corrections to protocol and forward to Gary Fisk. Gary Fisk to forward to Dawn Knapp for faculty meeting.</p>
Approval of Minutes (11-23-09)	<p>Gary Fisk made corrections to spelling of Dr. Adler's name and addition of an Academic Affairs Proposal from Psychology. Julia Dorminey moved to approve with corrections. Paul Shapiro seconded.</p>	<p>Approved by Senate.</p>
Proposals from Academic Affairs Committee	<p>(a) Political Science Minor – Brian Smith provided an explanation of this proposal. Motion to approve made by Genie Bryan. Seconded by Brian Smith.</p> <p>(b) THEA 4020 – Motion to approve made by Kathy Barnetson. Seconded by Julia Dorminey.</p> <p>(c) Middle Grade Education Proposal on GPA – Julia Dorminey provided an explanation of this proposal. Move to approve made by Kathy Barnetson. Seconded by Paul Shapiro.</p>	<p>Approved by Senate.</p> <p>Approved by Senate.</p> <p>Approved by Senate.</p>
Mission Statement	<p>Due to recommendations from SACS that certain language be used in the mission statement, the following two revised</p>	

	<p>statements were presented for consideration of approval by the Senate.</p> <p>One-Sentence Version: Georgia Southwestern State University, a comprehensive state university within the University System of Georgia that offers a full range of bachelor degree programs, along with selected master's and specialist degree programs, cultivates excellence in learning and teaching that encourages intellectual, personal, and social growth for students, faculty, staff, and the community.</p> <p>Two-Sentence Version: Georgia Southwestern State University cultivates excellence in learning and teaching that encourages intellectual, personal, and social growth for students, faculty, staff, and the community. Georgia Southwestern State University is a comprehensive state university within the University System of Georgia that offers a full range of bachelor degree programs, along with selected master's and specialist degree programs.</p> <p>After discussion, Brian Smith moved to approve the two-sentence version. Kathy Barnetson seconded the motion. Discussion followed in how to expedite full faculty approval.</p>	<p>Two-sentence version approved by Senate. Carol Bishop to forward to Dr. Adler's office for dispersion to faculty for vote.</p>
<p>Free Schedule Slot for Convocations</p>	<p>After discussion about this issue, Gary Fisk suggested that the 11:00 slot on Mondays & Wednesdays be freed for freshman to take University 1000 & convocations to be held. Motion to approve made by Paul Shapiro. Seconded by Genie Bryan.</p>	<p>Approved by Senate.</p>
<p>Upcoming Events</p>	<p>Gary Fisk reminded Senate members of the following upcoming events: (a) USG Chancellors visit on Thursday, January 28th</p>	

	<p>@ 1:30 PM. All Senate members were encouraged to attend or send a substitute.</p> <p>(b) Cheryl Cardell (SACS) meeting ! 11:00AM on Friday, January 29th in the President's Conference Room.</p> <p>(c) Robert Atwell (BOR consultant) meeting at 1:30 on Monday, February 8th in the President's Conference Room.</p>	<p>Julia Dorminey, Paul Shapiro, Brian Smith, & Gary Fisk volunteered to attend.</p>
Next Meeting Day/Time		Next meeting February 22 nd @ 11:00 AM.
Adjourned		Meeting adjourned at 9:10 AM.

Bonnie Simmons
Recorder