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**Governors State University
Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes, February 17, 2005**

Senators (Present = X):

<u>X</u>	E. Alozie	<u> </u>	H. Heino	<u>X</u>	W. Rudloff
<u>X</u>	P. Blobaum	<u>X</u>	M. Kasik	<u>X</u>	A. Sanders
<u>X</u>	L. Buyer	<u>X</u>	J. Klomes	<u> </u>	J. Shen
<u>X</u>	D. Chung	<u> </u>	J. Lingamneni	<u>X</u>	N. Shlaes-recorder
<u>X</u>	G. Cook	<u>X</u>	G. Lyon	<u>X</u>	C. Tymkow
<u>X</u>	D. Diers	<u> </u>	Z. Malik	<u>X</u>	B. Wilson
<u> </u>	G. Garrett	<u>X</u>	R. Muhammad	<u>X</u>	B. Winicki
<u> </u>	B. Hansen-Shaw	<u>X</u>	L. Proudfit	<u>X</u>	J. Zhao

Guests: Lisa Hendrickson (Center for Quality/Public Affairs), Colleen Rock-Cawthon (Provost)

Lyon called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Klomes moved the January minutes be accepted. Kasik seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports**University Curriculum Committee (Muhammad)**

Muhammad distributed the committee report. The committee is operating under “crunch time”, and the report lists items needing to be returned to the committee within the next week for action by the committee. Otherwise, the course changes will not be included in the 2005-06 catalog. One senator requested EDEC 520 be removed from the list. Check status of submissions at <http://www.govst.edu/ucc> .

IBHE Advisory Committee (Kasik)

Kasik reported the IFAC meeting last month on campus was a success. Representative Davis, President Fagan, Provost Keys, and Senate President Lyon were among the attendees. Davis said he would like to attend a Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting (Rock-Cawthon will coordinate). The IFAC is working on educating the state legislature on what faculty members do. Faculty members are product oriented which cannot be linked to hours worked. At last week’s meeting, Fagan urged higher education (faculty, union and IBHE) speak as one voice to the legislature. He urged they focus on 3 issues a year to get through the legislature. Kasik said there is a campaign under foot to collect slogans promoting higher education. These slogans will be posted on IFAC web site. Kasik said we need to change the legislature perception of higher education. Currently, it is not viewed as part of K-12. IFAC is also working on the budget and on lobbying. It is now required that persons must register as a lobbyist. IFAC

meets at Western Illinois University next Thursday and Friday. Lyon thanked Kasik for all she has accomplished on behalf of the faculty. Kasik wanted to acknowledge the work of Rock-Cawthon, Veronica Hunt and Michael Wortham.

Educational Policies Committee (Blobaum)

Blobaum distributed copies of the EPC report. EPC is considering the Professor Emeritus policy and what it means to GSU. He is asking for input from fellow senators. The committee would like a policy to clarify the process for recommending candidates for the status to the President.

Provost (Rock-Cawthon)

Woodard wanted everyone to know that the final Department Criteria will be distributed next week. The new Internet and Intranet Faculty Senate sites are up. Contact Bruce Crooks if you want your photo taken.

Faculty Senate Executive Committee (Lyon)

See under New Business. Rock-Cawthon will ask Senator David to attend the next Executive Committee meeting in March.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Interim Policy 63- Senate concerns were limited to classrooms that are not hard wired. Cook said this was discussed at yesterday's ITPPC meeting. Rock-Cawthon said pink slips indicating rooms left open the night before and received by the Provost's office everyday. Senators recommended the Policy be posted in every technology enhanced room. One Senator suggested Student Senate should be consulted on this policy. Cook said technology enhanced classrooms are assigned to faculty who have not requested them. These classrooms might be last on the list for people who do not request this type of classroom. However, the classrooms seem to be the first ones assigned. Cook will pass on the Senate's concerns to ITPPC and Lyon will send Diane Dates-Casey a note.

Retention Committee –Buyer and Hendrickson reported that the Retention Committee spoke to the Student and Civil Service senates regarding issues if retention and funding. One proposal is to change how students pay for their tuition. Right now, students do not have pay for their classes before they attend. GSU is in a deficit of \$1,000,000 for tuition payment. This delay in payment results in the practice of a student signing up for 4-5 classes, going to classes and then dropping the ones they don't like. The committee wants students to pay for classes prior to attending. Starting Spring/Summer, students must meet a deadline to pay tuition, be awarded financial aid, or set up a slow pay plan. They will be dropped if they do not do one of these options by the advertised deadline. Hendrickson passed out a draft letter alerting students to the change and a draft Communication Plan Poster for Tuition Procedure document. This change in procedure will be well-publicized prior to enforcing this policy. A senator asked if

there has been a study of this affecting enrollment. Will this impact accessibility? Buyer said the committee is getting input from all Senates. The committee is asking colleges to turn in their current waiting lists that will be used to make a comparison after the new policy is in effect. All other state schools and community colleges require this procedure and moves us inline with feeder institutions. Spring/Summer will be the first time students can pay online when they register. Class lists will be accurate. A senator questioned the efficiency of the process. Hendrickson said the committee meets every Thursday and senate concerns will be taken to them. Buyer would like us go back to our respective faculty to make them aware of this change.

RANUIs and RAMERs-How do we handle catalog changes? Hendrickson explained that if you are starting a program under a RAMER, it can be implemented before the new catalog is published. The request needs to go through the UCC and APRC. If approved, a note is added to the catalog. The program can then move forward. Curriculum changes can only occur during the catalog cycle.

Adjournment

Buyer moved to adjourn the meeting. Diers seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.