



FACULTY SENATE

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AGENDA

September 18, 2003

The Faculty Senate will meet on Thursday, September 18, 2003 in the Magnolia Room of the University Center at 3:30 p.m.

Items in **bold print** are items that require action by the Faculty Senate. Other items are for information only.

Special Request: Committee chairmen are expected to furnish concise written synopses of their reports to the Faculty Senate secretary, Melinda Cutchens, before leaving the meeting.

1. Call to Order
For the benefit of record keeping, senators and visitors will identify themselves when speaking to an issue during the meeting. All senators must initial the roster in order to be counted present.
2. Appointment of the Senate Parliamentarian for 2003-2004.
3. **Approval of the minutes of the May 15, 2003, meeting of the Faculty Senate.**
4. New business
 - a. Report from the Academic Committee – Louis Levy
 - b. Report from the Committee on Committees – Andy Brovey
 - i. **Approval of the memberships of Statutory and Standing Committees**
([Attachment #1 – Statutory Committees](#))
([Attachment #2 – Standing Committees](#))
 - c. Report from the Institutional Planning Committee – Jerry Siegrist
 - d. Report from the Faculty Affairs Committee – Maureen Puffer-Rothenberg
 - e. Report from the Faculty Grievance Committee – Carl Hand
 - f. Report from the Senate Executive Secretary -- David Boyd
 - i. Jason Lewis, President of the VSU Student Government Association has requested to address the Senate.
 - ii. The following Senators were selected to represent the Senate at the Planning Retreat on September 15, 2003.

Michael Eaves, College of the Arts
Christine James, College of Arts & Sciences
Leisa Marshall, Langdale College of Business

Lorraine Schmertzing, College of Education
Lynn Bell, College of Nursing
Mike Meacham, Social Work/Odum Library

iii. I appointed the following two Senators to the VSU Master Planning Committee:

James Laplant
Robert Johnston

iv. **Correction to the Summer 2004 Academic Calendar** (Ken Rumstay, Academic Scheduling and Procedures Committee)

v. (04-001) **Proposed Policy on the Community Announcements Listserv** (John Samaras, Technology Committee) ([Attachment #3](#))

vi. (04-002) A request to increase the number of working days between the last day of exams and the day final grades are due was remanded to the Academic Scheduling and Procedures Committee.

vii. (04-003) A request to investigate best practices to aid international academics in their dealings with INS was remanded to the Faculty Affairs Committee

viii. (04-004) A request to develop a policy regarding tenure-track faculty who are pursuing a graduate degree in the department in which they are teaching was remanded to the Educational Policies committee.

ix. (04-005) A request to develop a policy regarding faculty members who require their own classes to purchase textbooks they have authored was remanded to the Educational Policies Committee.

x. A request was made to inquire whether into the possibility of VSU issuing an identification number for faculty and staff that is not the Social Security Number. When I asked Inman Grimsley about this, he informed me that there is a USG committee looking into this matter.

5. General Discussion

6. Adjournment

Valdosta State University Community Announcements Listserv Policy

PURPOSE

The Community Announcements Listserv is dedicated to topics of interest to the campus community. Examples of topics of this nature include, but are not limited to general professional news such as upcoming conferences, calls for papers, community events of interest to VSU faculty and staff, or other events of common interest. This is a voluntary listserv and participants may opt in upon the creation of their account or when invitations are extended during the year to employees.

MODERATOR

An employee shall, subsequent to any or all postings, serve to:

1. Verify employee status; and
2. Enforce the Community Announcements policy as to subscription and compliance of the guidelines stated herein.

GUIDELINES

In addition to the foregoing, all subscribers are expected to follow and adhere to the following policies which are incorporated by reference into the Community Announcements Listserv Policy:

Peachnet Policy

(www.usg.edu/peachnet/about/acceptable.html)

Valdosta State University Guidelines For Use of Computing Facilities

(www.valdosta.edu/vsu/guiucfv.shtml)

Valdosta State University Mailing List Guidelines

(<http://www.valdosta.edu/listproc/howtopost.shtml>)

1. All subscribers and individuals seeking to post information shall be employees of Valdosta State University. Postings to the Community Announcements Listserv will be accepted only from valdosta.edu email addresses
2. Announcements posted to the Community Announcements Listserv are limited to conveying the description of the event and the details of the time and place. Announcements shall be free of editorial comment.
3. Ad hominem are prohibited.
4. The use of profanity or derogatory words, posting obnoxious or inappropriate announcements, or making defamatory statements is prohibited.
5. The use of System materials, supplies, and computer equipment in political campaigns is prohibited.
6. Unsolicited advertising via email is prohibited.

7. Sending "chain letter," "spam" or "broadcast" messages to lists or individuals, and other types of use which would cause network congestion or otherwise interfere with the work of others is prohibited.
8. Commercial postings are prohibited.
9. Generally, you should not post attachments, especially long attachments to the list because of they may be taxing on resources and viruses may accompany an attachment.
10. Use of the facilities for illegal purposes is prohibited. Use of the facilities by unauthorized persons is theft and is illegal under existing law. Examples of illegal purposes include: copyright violations, exchanging stolen credit card numbers through bulletin boards and email systems, transmitting pornographic material, defamation, harassment.
11. Any communication or posting which violates applicable federal laws, state laws and regulations is prohibited.

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2. Persons in violation of this policy are subject to a range of sanctions, including, but not limited to, the loss of computer or network access privileges, restriction from posting for a period of time as determined by the egregiousness, dismissal from the University, and/or legal action. Some violations may constitute criminal offenses, as outlined in the Georgia Computer Systems Protection Act and other local, state, and federal laws. The University will carry out its responsibility to report such violations to the appropriate authorities.

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VSU-TV Community Bulletin Board
<http://vsutv.valdosta.edu>

Yahoo Groups (create your own mailing list)
<http://groups.yahoo.com>