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### Minutes of the September 16, 1999 Faculty Senate Meeting

The Valdosta State University Faculty Senate meeting convened at 3:30 p.m. in Powell Hall Auditorium. Members present were: President and Chair – Hugh C. Bailey; Vice President, Academic Affairs – L. Benjamin; Executive Secretary – D. Boyd; Parliamentarian – R. Hull; Ex-officio Senators – J. Brignati, K. Ferrell (absent), R. Devery (absent), L. Milbrandt, T. Dasher (absent), K. Stanley (absent), F. Toth (absent), M. Reichenbach (absent), E. Clark, C. McKay (absent), N. Argyle (absent), G. Gaumond, P. Cleveland (absent); College of the Arts: C. Coons, P. McNeill, V. Pennington, D. Farwell (absent), J. Wheeler (absent); College of Arts and Sciences: D. Bogyo, L. Hanes, A. Lazari (absent), D. Sewell, M. Smith, C. Walker, B. Bergstrom, B. Brown, J. Elza, B. Evans, T. Meyers (absent), V. Soady, B. Adler, S. Goel, H. Harper, J. Hiers, S. Seyfarth, J. Wilkinson; College of Business Administration: B. Caster, F. Ware (proxy M. Holland), A. Reddy (absent); College of Education: R. McClung, M. Garber, J. Hummel, L. Wiley, P. Anderson, S. Andrews (absent), F. Smith, T. Root, C. Backes, B. Gerber, A. Gibbs, K. Wells, M. Venn, A. Brovey; College of Nursing: D. Ebron, D. Roush (absent); Division of Social Work: R. Vodde; Odum Library: S. Thomas; President of SGA: J. Golden, IV (absent)

1. H. Bailey called the meeting to order, requesting the identification of those Senators holding proxies for the meeting.
2. **The minutes of the June 17, 1999 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.**
3. **Unfinished Business**  
There was no unfinished business.
4. **New Business**
  - a. **Report of the Academic Committee** – L. Benjamin presented the minutes of the June 21, 1999 meeting of the Academic Committee and asked for the Senate's concurrence. **The minutes were approved.**
  - b. **Report from the Committee on Committees** – M. Holland stated that there was no report.
  - c. **Report from the Institutional Planning Committee** – C. Backes stated that the committee was scheduled to meet on September 15, 1999, but had to reschedule because the University was closed, due to hurricane Floyd. The meeting has been rescheduled for September 29, 1999, at 1:30 p.m. in the first floor conference room of the Odum Library.
  - d. **Report from the Faculty Affairs Committee** – B. Gerber stated the committee met on September 14, 1999, and completed three items of business. A secretary was nominated, remaining meetings

for Fall semester were scheduled, and a sub-committee for pre-tenure review was established that will report back to the Faculty Affairs Committee.

e. **Report from the Faculty Grievance Committee** – J. Elza stated that there was no report.

f. **Report of the Senate Executive Secretary**

1. Introduction of Judy Griffin, Faculty Senate secretary – D. Boyd stated that Judy would be handling the secretarial work for the Senate.
  2. **Revisions to the Academic Calendars for the Spring 2000 and Summer 2000 semesters as presented the Academic Scheduling and Procedures Committee** (Attachment #2) – S. Seyfarth stated that the committee was asked to review the spring and summer semester calendars to ensure that all three credit hour classes were scheduled to ensure that there were 15 class meetings. They were also asked to relabel Summer semesters I, II, III, and IV and revise the Spring 2000 schedule to change Saturday final exams to the conflict date. She stated that Attachment #2 reflects the changes that were made. **The calendars were approved.**
  3. Appointment of the Bylaws Amendment Committee – D. Boyd stated that he appointed T. Dasher, K. Wells, and V. Pennington to the Bylaws Amendment Committee for the purpose of adding the Technology Committee to the bylaws. The Bylaws Amendment Committee will report at the next Senate meeting.
  4. Remanded Request to the Educational Policies Committee – D. Boyd stated that a request was remanded to the Educational Policies Committee to consider limiting the number of hours for which students may register during the May Term (Summer I) of Summer Semester.
  5. Remanded Request to the pre-tenure document – D. Boyd stated that B. Gerber had previously reported the work of the Faculty Affairs Committee on that item.
  6. D. Boyd stated that an additional request for discussion not included on the agenda was from the Council on Staff Affairs regarding the Retirement Walkway. D. Parkhill, COSA chair, referred to a brochure detailing information for the Retirement Walkway. She stated that it is currently for VSU staff only, but asked for any interest from faculty members. The walkway will be located in front of the new Biology building. B. Bergstrom asked why the walkway is not being constructed in front of West Hall as originally planned. D. Parkhill stated that the walkway is not located in front of West Hall because of potential drainage problems. D. Bogyo asked if the walkway is a revision of the original construction plans. D. Parkhill stated that the walkway is in cooperation with, not a revision to, the original construction plans for the Biology building.
  7. D. Boyd reminded the Senate that the deadline for submissions for the agenda of the next Senate meeting is September 23, 1999.
5. General Discussion – There was no further discussion.
6. Adjournment – The Senate meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.