

## **FACULTY SENATE**

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President Elect**

Bobbie Ticknor  
**Secretary**

Dee Ott  
**Parliamentarian**

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**Past President**

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**August 22, 2019, 3:30 pm**  
**University Center Magnolia Room**

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

**Special Request:** At the request of the Senate's Executive Committee ([fsec@valdosta.edu](mailto:fsec@valdosta.edu)), any actions sent to the President ([dgpaine@valdosta.edu](mailto:dgpaine@valdosta.edu)) for possible inclusion in the Senate agenda should be accompanied by a written document with the rationale and purpose of the request. The Executive Committee requests these documents be submitted via email as Word.doc attachments.

For the benefit of record keeping, we ask that senators and visitors please identify themselves when speaking to an issue during the meeting. Please use the microphones to assist with accurate recording. All senators must sign the roster in order to be counted present. If you have a senator's proxy, please place their name tag beside your name tag on the table in front of you.

1. Call to Order – Debbie Paine

***The meeting was called to order at 3:31 p.m. Debbie Paine welcomed new members and introduced the faculty senate executive committee.***

2. Reading of proxies obtained prior to the meeting; Request additional proxies for those not given from Senators in attendance – Bobbie Ticknor

**Note:** Please send an email to Bobbie Ticknor ([bbticknor@valdosta.edu](mailto:bbticknor@valdosta.edu)) regarding proxies a minimum of one (1) week prior to the scheduled Faculty Senate meeting or as soon as possible if an unexpected absence needs to occur.

3. **Approval of the minutes of the April 18, 2019 meeting of the Faculty Senate.**  
<http://www.valdosta.edu/administration/faculty-senate/minutes.php> (See link here for minutes for all faculty senate meetings).

***The meeting minutes from April 2019 were approved by the majority.***

4. Updates from President's Office: Dr. Smith

***Dr. Smith stated the upcoming goals this year are focused on:***

- ***Developing a plan based on the Faculty Salary Study***

- **Updating the promotion and tenure document.**

**While no current updates were available from USG about changing the Core, there are significant changes coming.**

**The decision has been made that half of the membership of the Budget Advisory Council will roll off each year.**

**The Comprehensive Administrative Review is still being edited. It should be shared soon via email by the President's Office. A faculty senator added that the President stated it would be available in October.**

## 5. Old & Unfinished Business

### a. Statutory Committee Reports

- Academic Committee ([fs-stat-ac@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stat-ac@valdosta.edu)) – Sheri Gravett; Find agendas and minutes here:

<https://www.valdosta.edu/academics/registrar/academic-committee.php>

**The academic committee will meet in September. Dr. Gravett asked that anyone requesting changes should have their paperwork submitted by the Monday before the September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.**

- Committee on Committees ([fs-stat-coco@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stat-coco@valdosta.edu)) – Peggy Moch  
**No report.**

- Faculty Affairs ([fs-stat-fa@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stat-fa@valdosta.edu)) – Ryan Smith

**The committee has not met yet but will be focusing on revisions to the promotion and tenure document this year. This includes adding the procedures for non-tenured faculty.**

- Faculty Grievance Committee ([fs-stat-fgc@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stat-fgc@valdosta.edu)) – Mary Block  
**No report.**

- Institutional Planning Committee ([fs-stat-ipc@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stat-ipc@valdosta.edu)) – Matt Roehrich

Remand from Faculty Senate Executive Committee to research current avenues of faculty input for planning as compared to other institutions.

**The chair was not present. The committee was charged to conduct research into how the IPC is being used at other Universities and if it is still needed at VSU.**

- Meeting minutes from the various committees should be sent to [fsec@valdosta.edu](mailto:fsec@valdosta.edu) **AND** to [archives@valdosta.edu](mailto:archives@valdosta.edu) with "Archives Faculty Senate Papers" in the subject line. Please label minutes documents as shown in the following examples:

- Technology\_Minutes\_04-29-2018
- Academic\_Honors\_and\_Scholarship\_Minutes\_08-28-2018

Thank you for your assistance in getting and keeping our records up to date. ☺

## 6. New Business

### a. Standing Committee Reports: [fsec@valdosta.edu](mailto:fsec@valdosta.edu).

- Academic Honors & Scholarships ([fs-stand-ahs@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-ahs@valdosta.edu)) – Mark McQuade

**They are meeting in September. They will focus first on the Georgia Legislative Awards.**



- ii. Academic Scheduling & Procedures ([fs-stand-asp@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-asp@valdosta.edu)) – Jose Velez  
**No report.**
  - iii. Athletic Committee ([fs-stand-ac@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-ac@valdosta.edu)) – TBD  
**No report.**
  - iv. Diversity and Equity Committee ([fs-stand-dec@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-dec@valdosta.edu)) – Charles Talor  
**The committee had not meet for three years prior to last year. Last year they focused on defining their purpose. The focus this year will be on how to implement that vision.**
  - v. Educational Policies ([fs-stand-ep@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-ep@valdosta.edu)) – Chunlei Liu  
**No report.**
  - vi. Environmental Issues ([fs-stand-ei@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-ei@valdosta.edu)) – Evelyn Davis-Walker  
**They have not met yet but will focus on recycling on campus this year.**
  - vii. Faculty Scholarship ([fs-stand-igc@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-igc@valdosta.edu)) – Can Denizman  
**No report.**
  - viii. Internationalization and Globalization ([fs-stand-igc@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-igc@valdosta.edu)) – Steve Kohn  
**They will meet in September to discuss international opportunities for experiential learning including study abroad programs and conversational partners.**
  - ix. Library Affairs ([fs-stand-la@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-la@valdosta.edu)) – Hanae Kanno  
**No report.**
  - x. Student Affairs ([fs-stand-sa@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-sa@valdosta.edu)) – Sarah Arnett  
**No report.**
  - xi. Technology Committee ([fs-stand-tc@valdosta.edu](mailto:fs-stand-tc@valdosta.edu)) – E-Ling Hsiao  
**The committee has not met yet but will focus on a survey to understand faculty and staff use and needs related to technology.**
- b. Charge to Committees
- All members were given a packet that contained the following items:**
- **Meeting Schedule**
  - **How the Faculty Senate Works**
  - **Committee Descriptions**
  - **Chair Responsibilities**
  - **Listserv Lists – Debbie Paine noted that she has updated all of the listservs and they are ready for use.**
  - **Roster**
  - **Roberts Rules of Order**
- c. SOI Sub-Committee for Fall 2019 work

**The new "smart eval" system has been deployed across campus. A subcommittee was previously formed to evaluate the questions being asked on the SOL. A new subcommittee is required. Steven Downey has agreed to be chair. One volunteer from each college is needed for this committee.**

**d. Student Parking Appeals Committee**

**Several volunteers are needed to serve on this committee. This is not restricted to faculty senators. Any faculty across campus can be on this committee. They meet every Wednesday at 3PM. More volunteers means that the members could rotate in attending the weekly meeting. There are currently five volunteers.**

**7. General Discussion**

**Capital Campaign Update**

**A motion was made to allow John Crawford to speak about the capital campaign. It was approved by the majority. He stated that in June of 2014, the goal for the capital campaign was \$43million. A retired faculty member made a commitment of a percentage of their estate, which presently is estimated to be about \$17million. The goal was raised in October of 2014 to \$53million after this donation. As of June 30, 2019, the final date of the campaign, \$62,750,000 has been raised. That represented 15229 donors. VSU faculty and staff members contributed \$2,821,000. The foundation has received \$29,780,000 to date.**

**The focus of the funds will be on five areas:**

- 1. Scholarship Gifts: Only about \$500,000 was given in this area five years ago. Over a million was distributed this fall. They hope to sustain the funds and continue to give student scholarship of \$500,000 each year. Amount: \$26.6M**
- 2. Programmatic Gifts: These are given to specific to certain programs. This includes Business and Education. Amount: \$17.3M**
- 3. Blazer Athletics: This mostly represents student athlete scholarships. Amount: \$8.7M**
- 4. Support of Faculty: This includes creating distinguished faculty positions. Amount: \$5.8M**
- 5. Facility Upgrades: There was not a specific building in mind for these funds. It is being used for facility upgrades. For example, a new acoustical system was installed in the Whitehead Auditorium. It would have cost VSU \$750,000 to renovate the auditorium, but this new electronic system was installed at a cost of \$323,000. Amount: \$3.5M**

**There is currently \$49.7million in the endowment.**

**The foundation will also focus on increasing activities related to Student Affairs.**

**The foundation will need to maintain a \$5million match if the Georgia governor's office approves the Ashley Theater Project.**

**Finally, the annual giving campaign will be coming out in September. The system is now electronic. Look for an email on this.**

**Additional Committee Needs Announced**

**One volunteer is needed for the parking advisory committee. This committee discusses issues related to parking and parking decisions.**



***One volunteer is needed for the dining advisory committee. Bobbie Ticknor noted her involvement over the past two years. She mentioned the food pantry, a grant being sought to help with students who are food insecure, and a "free swipe" program the committee is working toward.***

***One volunteer is needed to work on the SACSCOC with Michael Black. This is a one year appointment. The process that will be focused on this year is the self-study.***

***Debbie Paine called out the environmental committee for their energy, excitement, and progress on issues related to the VSU environment.***

**8. Adjournment**

***The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.***

# Faculty Senate Attendance & Proxy Sheet August 2019 Meeting

Please initial to the right of your name if you are present for this meeting. If you are a proxy for someone, write your name under "proxy name" next to theirs.

## College of the Arts

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Ian Andersen	<i>IA</i>	
Libba Willcox	<i>LW</i>	
Sarah Arnett	<i>SA</i>	
Tamara Hardesty	<i>TH</i>	Mark McQuade
Melissa Pihos	<i>MP</i>	
Evelyn Davis-Walker	<i>EDW</i>	
Joe Mason	<i>JM</i>	
Mark McQuade	<i>MM</i>	
Matt Roehrich		
Ryan Smith	<i>RS</i>	

## College of Business Administration

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Luis Gonzalez		
Eric Howington	<i>EH</i>	
Cindi Tori		
Marko Horn	<i>MH</i>	
Candace Witherspoon		
Attila Cseh	<i>AC</i>	

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## College of Education & Human Services

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Nicole Alemanne	NA	
Meagan Arrastia-Chisholm	MAC	
Diane Holliman	DCH	
Taralyn Hartsell	TH	
Debbie Paine	DP	Regina Moore
Diane Wright	DW	
Jennifer Branscome		
Alicja Rieger	AR	
Jamie Workman	JW	
Daesang Kim	DS	
E-Ling Hsiao	eh	
Hanae Kanno	HK	
TBD		
TBD		
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## College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Bobbie Ticknor		
Babacar Mboup		
Mary Block	MB	
Kelly Davidson <del>Bovall</del>	KD	Beatriz Potter
Blaine Browne	BB	
Juliana Edmonds	JE	
Fred Knowles	FK	
Rudy Prine		
Brian Ward	BW	
Gabrielle Stellmacher	GS	
Beatriz Potter		
Steven Kohn	SK	
Charles Talor	CT	



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## College of Nursing & Health Sciences

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Michele Blankenship	MB	
Laura Carter	LC	
Mallory Lane	ML	
Dee Ott		Bobbie Ticknor

## College of Science and Mathematics

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Donna Gosnell	DG	
Mitch Lockhart	ML	
Donald Thieme	DT	
Anurag Dasgupta	ADG	
Ligia Focsan		
Linda de la Garza	LD	
Peggy Moch		Debbie Paine
Jose Velez		
Can Denizman	C.D	
Chunlei Liu		ANURAG DASGUPTA

## Odum Library

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Catherine Bowers	CB	
Emily Rogers	ER	

## Retirees Association Representative

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
David Boyd		

## Council on Staff Affairs

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Ashley Cooper	AS	

## Student Senators

Name	Initials	Proxy Name (please print)
Amea Thomsen	Jacobson	



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## Visitors

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