

Memorandum

To President Hugh Bailey
From David Boyd, Executive Secretary, Faculty Senate
Date July 9, 2004
Subject 1999 Annual Report of the Faculty Senate

The following is presented as a summary of the major activities of the Faculty Senate during the academic year 1998-1999:

1. Approved the extending of the privilege of the floor to: Mr. Ray Devry, Vice President of Advancement; Dr. Cuba McKay, Dean of Public Services; Dr. Nolan Argyle, Academic Dean at King's Bay; and Dr. Charles Ferguson, Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Planning. (Committee on Committees)
2. Developed and approved the Policy on Summer Pay for Faculty. (Faculty Affairs Committee)
3. Developed and approved a revised schedule for the Summer 1999 terms, including moving two days of instruction from July 1999 to June 1999 to insure that at least half of the instructional hours for the summer occur in fiscal year 1998-99. Developed and approved the final exam schedule for the Summer terms. (Academic Scheduling and Procedures Committee)
4. Approved splitting the Fall and Spring Commencement exercises into two ceremonies beginning Spring 1999.
5. Approved the revisions to the VSU Senate Bylaws. These revisions were necessitated by the change in scheduling at Valdosta State University from Quarters to Semesters. (Bylaws Revision Committee)
6. Developed and approved the revised Post-Tenure Review document. (Faculty Affairs Committee)

7. Approved a policy to grant priority registration status to Honors Program students who are in good standing. (Educational Policies Committee)
8. Approved the Strategic Goals for VSU. (Institutional Planning Committee)
9. Approved the Intellectual Property Policy as changed editorially in response to the BOR attorney, Ms. Corliss Cumings. (Educational Policies Committee -- This policy had passed the Senate in its original form in May, 1998.)
10. Approved adding the position of Moderator(s) of VSUFAC Listserv to the appointments made by the Committee on Committees, and to model the appointment after that of Handbook Editor. (*ad hoc* Senate Technology Committee and the Committee on Committees)
11. Approved the addition of the Technology Committee to the Standing Committees of the Faculty Senate. (Committee on Committees)
12. Developed and approved the **Policy and Procedures on Scholarly Misconduct**. (Faculty Development and Research Committee)

The actions of the Faculty Senate during the academic year 1998-1999 are indicative of the value of the *system of self-governance* prologue to the Mission Statement of the Valdosta State University.

The Faculty Senate convened seven times during the academic year 1998-1999, and many of the committees were very active. Each Standing Committee published its own annual report. Some of these annual reports were published with the minutes of the March 1999, April 1999, and June 1999 Faculty Senate meetings as cross-referenced in the table below:

Committee Annual Report	Committee Chairman	Location in minutes
Academic Honors and Scholarships	Dr. Stan Andrews	April 22, 1999
Academic Scheduling and Procedures	Prof. Tracy Meyers	April 22, 1999
Athletics	Dr. Mike Holland	April 22, 1999
Educational Policies	Prof. Donna Ebron	April 22, 1999
Environmental Issues	Dr. Dennis Bogyo	April 22, 1999
Faculty Development and Research	Dr. Rusty McClung	March 18, 1999
Library Affairs	Dr. Richard Vodde	March 18, 1999
Minority and Diversity Affairs	Dr. Patty Anderson	March 18, 1999
Student Activities	Dr. Bob Evans	April 22, 1999
Student Services	Dr. Viki Soady	no report
Technology Committee	Dr. Debbi Robinson	June 17, 1999

cc: All Faculty (per Faculty Senate Statutes, Chapter 4, Article III, Section 3.a.4)