

Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, January 22, 2009
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Dr. Amoss called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The following members were present:

Dr. Jennifer Apperson	Dr. Jim Haug	Dr. Wayne McWee
Dr. Wendell Barbour	Dr. Chene Heady	Dr. Eric Moore
Dr. Vonnice Colvin	Dr. Ryan Hebert	Dr. Gene Muto
Dr. Linwood Cousins	Ms. Tammy Hines	Dr. Keith Rider
Dr. Roy Creasey	Dr. Chris Jones	Dr. Jim Riley
Ms. Kerri Cushman	Dr. Debra Kelley	Dr. Charles Ross
Dr. Larissa Ferguson	Dr. Ed Kinman	Dr. David Shoenthal
Dr. Jackie Hall	Dr. Rená Koesler	Dr. Pam Tracy
Dr. David Hardin	Dr. Anthony Koyzis	Mr. Jordan Miles

Members not present were Dr. Paul Barrett, Dr. Mikie Flanigan, Dr. Sue Hildebrandt, Dr. Evelyn Hume, Dr. Deneese Jones, Dr. Tim Pierson, and Ms. Kathy Worster. Also attending were Ms. Melinda Fowlkes, Ms. Alecia Knox, Mr. Bob Murray, and Mr. Glenn Parker.

The minutes of the Senate meeting on November 13, 2008, were approved as posted.

Dr. Amoss read a note from Ms. Diane Easter thanking faculty for their help in providing 345 pounds of food for FACES at the Holiday Luncheon.

Dr. Amoss introduced the new Registrar, Mr. Glenn Parker, then called on Dr. Kinman for the EPC report. Dr. Kinman moved the approval of a change in the suspension policy (posted on the web page in the EPC report). After a few questions, his motion passed.

To replace Dr. Flanigan who has resigned her position on the Executive Committee, Dr. Haug nominated Dr. Creasey. Dr. Kinman moved that nominations be closed. His motion passed, and Dr. Creasey was elected.

Ms. Claire LaRoche is in the last year of her second term as faculty representative to the Longwood University Foundation Board, and the Executive Committee recommended Dr. Jackie Hall to fill that position which entails representing the faculty on that Board and reporting back to the faculty. Dr. Ferguson, for the Executive Committee, moved the approval of that nomination, and the Senate passed her motion.

Dr. Amoss called on Dr. Ferguson who on behalf of the Longwood Honors Program Committee moved the approval of wording changes to the committee description and a change in the committee composition. The wording changes were to reflect the change from an Honors Program to an Honors College. The motion passed. The report noting changes is posted on the Senate web page.

Dr. Amoss called on Dr. Creasey who gave a detailed report on the work of the Finance and Planning Committee and the administration in addressing the budget shortfall. His full report is posted on the Senate web page under Other Reports. He outlined the function of the committee and explained the various options being considered and their consequences.

Dr. Amoss recognized Dr. Fergeson who reminded Senators that the Executive Committee plans to establish an ad hoc committee to assess the work of the Senate and develop long-range goals. She plans to announce this to the faculty tomorrow and ask for volunteers. She hopes the committee can report its preliminary findings to the Senate this semester and present a report to the faculty at the August faculty meeting.

Under New Business, Dr. Riley asked what Dr. McWee had learned about the combining of summer school pay and other recompense with a faculty member's regular salary so that there were significant changes in the withholding. Dr. McWee said that the decision was not institutional but came from Richmond.

Dr. Tracy announced that DVDs of today's Martin Luther King Day speaker will be available in the library for people who were unable to attend his speech.

Dr. Kinman announced that the Educational Policies Committee was reviewing the curriculum handbook and asked Senators and others to send suggestions for its improvement to him.

Dr. Fergeson moved adjournment, and Dr. Amoss adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Susan May