Faculty Senate Meeting Thursday, September 18, 2008 Library 147 A&B

Dr. Amoss called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The following members were present:

Dr. Jennifer Apperson Dr. Wendell Barbour Dr. Paul Barrett Dr. Vonnie Colvin Dr. Linwood Cousins Dr. Roy Creasey Ms. Kerri Cushman Dr. Larissa Fergeson Dr. Mikie Flanigan Dr. Jackie Hall Dr. David Hardin Dr. Chene Heady Dr. Ryan Hebert Dr. Sue Hildebrandt Ms. Tammy Hines Dr. Evelyn Hume Dr. Debra Kelley Dr. Ed Kinman

Dr. Rená Koesler Dr. Wayne McWee Mr. Jordan Miles Dr. Gene Muto Dr. Keith Rider Dr. Jim Riley Dr. David Shoenthal Dr. Pam Tracy

The following members were not in attendance: Dr. Jim Haug, Dr. Chris Jones, Dr. Deneese Jones, Dr. Anthony Koyziz, Dr. Eric Moore, Dr. Tim Pierson, Dr. Charles Ross, Ms. Kathy Worster. Also present were Mr. Troy Austin, Ms. Michelle Meadows, Ms. Linda Townsend, and Ms. Lorrie Watson.

The minutes for April 24, 2008, and September 4, 2008, were approved as distributed.

Dr. Flanigan moved the approval of the committee appointments for 2008-09 (available on the Senate web page); the motion was seconded and <u>passed</u>.

Dr. Amoss called on Dr. Kinman who moved on behalf of the EPC the approval of a Certification in Autism Spectrum Disorders. The motion <u>passed</u>.

Dr. Kinman moved approval of a Certification in 21st Century Learning & Leadership. The motion <u>passed</u>.

Dr. Kinman moved approval of a modification to the thesis and research section of the graduate catalog. After several questions were raised, Dr. Flanigan moved the postponement of the motion until questions about the changes could be resolved. The motion was seconded and <u>passed</u>.

Dr. Amoss introduced Ms. Lorrie Watson who showed pictures of and spoke about the Longwood Bed and Breakfast. She spoke of the recent changes and emphasized that for faculty (and only for faculty) stranded by weather or detained by late-evening obligations, the Inn will, for day-of reservations, charge the old rates of \$30.00, \$35.00, or \$40.00. She also mentioned that those who want to plan for dinners there may use a caterer of their choice.

Dr. Amoss asked for volunteers from Senators and their constituencies to serve on an ad hoc committee to look into the pros and cons of moving the student evaluation procedure on line. Volunteers should let Dr. Amoss know by next Thursday (Sept. 25).

Under new business, Dr. Riley offered the following motion: Given that the current delivery of the required training for sexual harassment and diversity is less than desirable, I move that an ad hoc committee be appointed by the faculty senate president to explore and recommend the adoption of one of the several on-line options for satisfying this requirement. The motion was seconded. After

discussion, Dr. Flanigan made a motion to add the phrase *or other alternative methods* after the words *on-line options*. Her motion was seconded. After further discussion Dr. Cousins offered a substitute motion: that an ad hoc committee be appointed to evaluate the sexual harassment and diversity training and make recommendations for alternative methods of training. His motion to substitute was seconded and <u>passed</u>, and the substitute motion <u>passed</u>.

Dr. Fergeson moved adjournment. The motion was seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Susan May