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Faculty Senate Minutes

The Faculty Senate met on Wednesday, October 2 at 2:00 pm in the Bradford Hall Conference Center.

Members Attending:

Ceretta Davis Danell Moses Roger Stephens
Sherry Floerchinger Tim Quiring Doug Ward
Owen Gibby Sharon Ridley Kathie Wise
Allan Grant Bob Satterwhite

Others in Attendance: Tresco Shannon, Nancy Wilson (part-time instructors).

Following is a list of agenda items and discussion:

- 1. **Faculty Center-** No space on campus is currently available for a faculty center. This issue may be proposed in the future.
- 2. **Reduction in Load for Faculty Senate President-** No option currently exists for this plan. Again, a future proposal is a possibility.
- 3. **Cultural Diversity at SCC-** The SCC Cultural Diversity Committee met Monday, October 7. The committee wishes to remind faculty and staff that November is Native American Month and wants to promote awareness of this culture's heritage. The committee also wishes to meet with SGA and Faculty Senate at a later date. Jan Smith has volunteered to serve on the committee as a Native American representative.
- 4. **Instructional Titles-** The Senate voted by a wide majority to retain the title of "Instructor" for SCC faculty.
- Bookstore Update- The Senate wishes to recognize the efforts of Melissa Pendergast for her management of the bookstore. Several improvements are evident. Thank you, Melissa. Also, the Faculty Center Network (FCN), an on-line service to assist faculty with text adoptions, is now available.
- 6. **Grant Monies-** Several grant-funding sources, such as Faraway Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, offer possibilities for instructional development. Faculty are encouraged to pursue these funds.
- 7. **Upward Assessment-** The Senate decided not to pursue a proposal for upward evaluation, a process by which college personnel would evaluate their respective supervisors. This issue may be addressed in the future.
- 8. **Assigned Parking-** The issue of assigned parking spaces for faculty was discussed. The current proposal revisits a previous plan adopted in the early 1990's, which designated the parking areas behind Oaks Hall and Founder's Hall as faculty/staff. Senators will discuss this issue with their respective divisions, and representatives from SGA will also be contacted. Depending upon student and faculty input, this issue may be voted on at the next

meeting.

- 9. Recycling at SCC- Several issues involving the process of recycling at SCC were raised: Are recyclable materials, such as paper, properly processed after they leave campus? Are materials properly separated on campus? Do rooms and buildings on campus have sufficient types and sizes of collection containers for recyclable materials? How can we better promote the importance of recycling to our students? Senators should discuss these issues with colleagues. The SGA will also be solicited for input.
- 10. **Senate Membership: Adjunct Faculty-** The issue of allowing part-time instructors membership in Faculty Senate will be voted on at the next meeting. The Senate welcomes faculty input on this matter.

Next Meeting: TBA

The meeting adjourned at 3:40.

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