Southwestern Community College Faculty Senate Meeting February 8, 2012

Present: Elizabeth Haynes, Tony Belcher, William Brothers, Penny Wells, Toni Knott, Kelly Burch, Randy McCall, Debbie Ray, Ashley Cunningham, Meg Petty, and Barbara Connell.

President Haynes called the meeting to order at 3:04

The first action was the approval of the Minutes of October 24, 2011. With no objection, President Haynes waived the reading of the Minutes, and the Faculty Senate approved the Minutes as presented.

Agenda Items:

President Haynes asked the faculty senate if there were any sections of the constitution that needed further review. The following suggestions were made:

The first suggestion was that Article Seven section six was ambiguous regarding the treatment of a vacated position of an officer. To alleviate some of the ambiguity, the suggestion was made if the office of any officer's position is vacant, a special election should be called within two weeks. A motion was made by Secretary Brothers to accept the proposed revisions. Vice-President Belcher seconded the motion and the full Senate unanimously approved.

Next, President Haynes called for a motion to present the revised Constitution to faculty. Senator Connell made a motion to present the revisions to faculty for review. Vice-President Belcher seconded the motion and the full Senate unanimously approved.

New Business:

The next item of business dealt with the end of the year celebration. President Haynes stated that Faculty Senate needed to decide on potential faculty awards to be presented at the event. The following suggestions were made:

- Outstanding colleague
- Most Collegial
- Teaching Innovation
- Emeritus

President Haynes suggested that a task force be formed to decide what criteria should be chosen for each award. It was agreed upon that there should be a maximum of three criteria and that the criteria should be easy to monitor. It was decided that Secretary Brothers lead a task force to decide these criteria.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:28.