

Minutes

Faculty Meeting



Tuesday, March 4, 2008
2:30 p.m., room 170, University Hall

112 faculty members present; President Bloodworth called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Agenda Items

President William Bloodworth turned the meeting over to Dr. Samuel Sullivan, vice president for academic affairs. Dr. Sullivan thanked Dr. Edgar Johnson for his work and the work of the other members of the academic policies committee during the past two years.

I. Approval of the Minutes from January 29, 2008, available at:
http://www.aug.edu/faculty_secretary/facmin_01_29_2008_draft.pdf

Vote – all ayes to approve as distributed.

II. Academic Policies Committee – Dr. Edgar Johnson

Dr. Edgar Johnson introduced the two categories of items for consideration, for information only and for vote. He reviewed a request from the APC committee for a change in how curriculum change request forms should be completed in the future. The area on the form showing the effect of the proposed change on other units should include documentation on when and how the other units were contacted and include their responses. Checking the box to indicate that contact has been made will no longer be sufficient.

Items for information only (**See Attachment A**)

Discussion – none. The changes will be made to the catalog.

Items requiring faculty vote (**See Attachment B**)

Dr. Sullivan introduced all items in attachment B to be voted on as one measure and asked if there were any motions to amend.

Dr. Chris Terry, biology, suggested the nursing items be separated out.

Motion – Dr. Bill Wellnitz moved to consider separately the new nursing program. Dr. Todd Schultz seconded.

Amendment – specifically to move Attachment B number 8 to a separate vote.

Discussion – Dr. Cathy Tugmon noted that it would make more sense to consider all the items connected with nursing together, so all items following number 8 in attachment B on also should be moved out.

Dr. Edgar Johnson noted that item 30 should be considered with numbers 1-7.

Amended Motion – to move items 8-29 to a separate consideration.

Vote – all in favor of the change. Items 8-29 will be voted on separately.

Consideration returned to items 1 through 7 and number 30 in attachment B.

Discussion – none

Vote – all in favor. Items 1-7, 30 are approved.

Consideration turned to items 8-29 in attachment B

Discussion – Dr. Charlotte Price, chair of the nursing department, noted that it had taken 20 years to achieve a proposed BSN program. A Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree was first considered in 1986, but MCG opposed the new program at that time. Now the medical college is emphasizing its graduate education programs and approves of the BSN program proposal. ASU students are excited about the new program. Approvals by the Board of Regents and the Georgia Board of Nursing remain.

Dr. Sullivan thanked the University Council for meeting about the program and providing recommendations that strengthened the proposal.

Dr. Rich Griner asked how funding the new program will affect other departments. Dr. Sullivan suggested looking at the April 2004 faculty minutes to see a comparable response from a previous new program proposal. The university hopes that the BOR will support it. ASU also has put forward a request for new funding to support new faculty positions and to replace about \$315,000 in funding we now have that comes from hospitals.

Dr. Price noted most of the faculty members needed already are in place. The additional positions are to cover anticipated enrollment increases. If the additional funding does not come through, enrollment will be decreased to

match. Dr. Sullivan noted that funding also will be requested from the chancellor to help support the program.

Mrs. Mellie Kerins asked if the nursing students serve rotations only through the Medical College of Georgia? Dr. Price replied that Eisenhower hospital, Doctor's Hospital, and University Hospital also are involved with student rotations, and that the Veteran's Administration is in discussion to participate.

Vote – all in favor. Items 8-29 are approved for inclusion in the catalog.

III. Faculty Policies Committee – Dr. Carol Rychly

1. Changes to *Academic Policies Committee* in the Faculty Manual.
(See Attachment C)

2. Changes to Faculty Manual - *The Student Honors and Awards Committee*
(See Attachment D)

Dr. Sullivan thanked the FPC for its work and introduced Dr. Rychly, chair of the committee, who then introduced the changes. The first change splits the positions of registrar and admissions officer in the manual, for that point in time when they once again involve two people. The second set of changes cleans up language in the committee entry. Both have been unanimously approved by the respective committees.

Dr. Sullivan noted that these are changes to the bylaws, so section 203 of the Faculty Manual requires only a simple majority in favor to enact the changes.

Discussion – of attachment C
None

Discussion – of attachment D
None

Vote – all in favor. The changes in attachments C and D are approved for inclusion in the faculty manual.

IV. Presentation by Dr. Walter Evans, reviewing the Board of Regents' changes to the core curriculum

Dr. Sullivan thanked Dr. Evans for representing ASU with BOR on core curriculum development.

Dr. Evans reviewed the meeting he attended about three weeks prior. He noted his disappointment, as the materials designed to prepare faculty for the meeting

did not match its focus, and the format of the meeting was extensively changed. Rather than three committees there was only one, and the focus of his area of preparation, learning outcomes, was relegated to a later stage of the process. He also noted contradictory messages in what was to be developed. The emphasis is on entirely redeveloping the core curriculum with a focus on the 21st Century and globalization, and his concern is that it will lower the standards by which we retain and graduate students. The USG has a web site on the project at: www.strongfoundations.usg.edu.

Dr. Evans encouraged faculty to provide frank and unambiguous feedback on the proposed models available on the site, and to send a copy of their submissions to Dr. Rychly, chair of the Faculty Policies Committee. She will soon attend a meeting on faculty governance.

Dr. Evans also announced a link, www.georgiacorecurriculum.org, a site soon to be published, which will provide additional information about this process and concerns participants had.

Concerns of the participants included:

- * The reason for the change is not yet clear.
- * The current direction of the change may not work well. Given the scope of the effect these changes will have, the process should be organized with more data, more preparation, and more active and effective faculty direction.
- * If the course offerings are changed, Dr. Evans doubts that money will be available to ensure current faculty will be sufficiently retrained to teach the new curriculum.
- * Though there is an emphasis on globalization, foreign languages received little discussion.
- * Though high-school curriculum has a strong influence on what needs to be offered as a core curriculum, virtually no planning in this direction was discussed.

Dr. Evans noted that Dr Bloodworth had communicated some suggestions for improving the process, including the possibility of a summer conference involving several faculty members from each institution.

Dr. Charles Jackson asked for more specifics on the work Dr. Evans has done to date. Dr. Evans replied that the best avenue for learning more was to look at the site that will be published in a few days.

Dr. Sullivan suggested that interested faculty plan to meet with Dr. Rychly and Dr. Evans for further discussion.

V. President's Report - (See Attachment D)

VI. Announcements

Mr. Robert Smalley, Hull College of Business, noted that Friday, March 14, is honors night. For those attending Phi Kappa Phi, there will be a room next to the ballroom for faculty to hang their regalia this year. The honors convocation starts

at 7:30 p.m., so faculty should be in the lobby of the fine arts building by 7:10 p.m.

Dr. Cathy Tugmon, Biology, reminded faculty of the next Academy for Learning event, "How You Know What Your Students Have Learned," to be held March 18, from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. in the JSAC Coffeehouse.

Mr. Tony Kellman, Communications and Professional Writing, mentioned the Sandhills writer conference, March 20–22, and invited faculty especially to attend three events which require no registration. The keynote address by Rick Bragg will be at 11 a.m. March 20; there will be a concert that evening at 8 p.m. featuring singer-songwriter John Kolbeck at Le Chat Noir; and on March 21st at 7:30 p.m. in Galloway Hall, there will be a reading of writers, featuring authors Peter Makuck and Phyllis Alesia Perry.

Mr. Jasper Cooke, Public Safety, updated faculty on the progress of storm conditions as noted in email the day before.

Dr. Jim Grayson, Hull College of Business, announced the 9th Annual ASU Student Research and Fine Arts Conference, Wednesday, 12:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m., March 12, 2008, in the Science Building.

Dr. Robert Mays, Counseling and Testing Center, mentioned a Mapping Your Career seminar, for Wednesday, March 19th, 12 Noon - 1 p.m., JSAC Butler Room.

Dr. Bill Wellnitz, Biology, asked faculty to visit the state Science Olympiad events to be held March 29 on campus, since these events will be a preview to events when ASU hosts the national Science Olympiad in 2009.

Mr. Rick Davis, Communications and Professional Writing, invited faculty to a theatre festival to be held on campus March 27-29. All work on the productions is done by ASU students.

Ms. Maureen Akins, Information Technology Services, noted a webcast on the virtual world program Second Life, to be held March 20, 1-3 p.m. in UH 129; if many people sign up by contacting gadams@aug.edu, the event may move to a larger venue.

Adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Attachments

Attachment A.

Items for information only from the Academic Policies Committee; these do not require a faculty vote

1. Program Change--Changes title of COMW 3600
COMW-PC/CC-OCT07-001 [pdf](#) C0758
2. New Course – COMW 4610 The Literary Marketplace
COMW-NC-OCT07-003 [pdf](#) C0760
3. Program Change – adds electives to COM major and minor
COMW-PC-OCT07-004 [pdf](#) C0761
4. Text Change – Hull College of Business admissions
BUSA-CC-NOV07-001 [pdf](#) C0762
5. Text Change – Hull College of Business introduction
BUSA-CC-NOV07-002 [pdf](#) C0763
6. New Course – MATH 4800 Secondary Mathematics from an Advanced Perspective
MATH-NC-OCT07-001 [pdf](#) C0764
7. Program Change – course requirements for BS in Mathematics
MATH-PC-OCT07-003 [pdf](#) C0766
8. Change prerequisites for several 6000 Mathematics courses
MATH-PC/CC-OCT07-004 [pdf](#) C0767
9. Change course description MATH 1113
MATH-PC/CC-OCT07-005 [pdf](#) C0768
10. Change minor in Computer Science
CSCI-PC-OCT07-001 [pdf](#) C0769
11. Change multiple course hour designations in EDTD courses
EDTD-SEP07-001 [pdf](#) C0775
12. Change description EDTD 6221
EDTD-NOV07-002 [pdf](#) C0776
13. Change prerequisites for EDTD 6910
EDTD-NOV07-003 [pdf](#) C0777
14. Delete prerequisites for multiple courses
EDUC-SEP07-001 [pdf](#) C0778
15. Change course number and title for SPED 4006, changing to: SPED 4004
Collaboration/Consultation
SPED-JAN08-001 [pdf](#) C0779

16. New Course ILIT 1500 Information Literacy
LIBR-JAN08-001 pdf C0780

Attachment B.

Items requiring faculty vote, from the APC

1. Rules for Students in Learning Support changes.
APC 10001 [pdf](#) C0733
Note: This item was returned to the APC committee following the Nov. 15, 2007, UC meeting for rewording and clarification and it has returned to the agenda, complete with correspondence on the questions raised.
2. New Course – COMW 3610 Writing Book-Length Prose
COMW-NC-OCT07002 [pdf](#) C0759
3. Program Change – requirements for BS in Mathematics w/ Certificate in Secondary Education
MATH-PC-OCT07-002 [pdf](#) C0765
4. Add Portfolio requirements for post-bacc students
ENGL-PC/CC-OCT07-001 [pdf](#) C0770
5. Change entry for ENGL 2250 (affects Area F)
ENGL-PC/CC-OCT07-002 [pdf](#) C0771
6. Clarify BIOL course prerequisites for Learning Support students
BIOL-PC/CC-OCT07-001 [pdf](#) C0772
7. Add new major track in Photography/Printmaking
ART-PC-OCT07-001 [pdf](#) C0773
8. New BSN Program, Nursing, Proposal
[pdf](#) C0803
9. New BSN Program, Nursing
NURS-PC-OCT07-021 [pdf](#) C0781
10. New course, Nursing, NURS 3000 Foundations of Nursing Practice
NURS-NC-OCT07-001 [pdf](#) C0782
11. New course, Nursing, NURS 3001 Health Promotion in Individuals and Families
NURS-NC-OCT07-002 [pdf](#) C0783
12. New course, Nursing, NURS 3002 Nursing Research
NURS-NC-OCT07-003 [pdf](#) C0784
13. New course, Nursing, NURS 3003 Evidence Based Nursing Practice Across the Lifespan I. NURS-NC-OCT07-004 [pdf](#) C0785
14. New course, Nursing, NURS 3004 Health Promotion in Communities
NURS-NC-OCT07-005 [pdf](#) C0786
15. New course, Nursing, NURS 3005 Clinical Pharmacology
NURS-NC-OCT07-006 [pdf](#) C0787

16. New course, Nursing, NURS 3010 LPN to BSN Transition Course
NURS-NC-OCT07-007 [pdf](#) C0788
17. New course, Nursing, NURS 4001 Evidence Based Nursing Practice Across the
Lifespan II. NURS-NC-OCT07-008 [pdf](#) C0789
18. New course, Nursing, NURS 4002 Nutrition and Health Care
NURS-NC-OCT07-009 [pdf](#) C0790
19. New course, Nursing, NURS 4003 Nursing and Spirituality
NURS-NC-OCT07-009 [pdf](#) C0791
20. New course, Nursing, NURS 4004 Evidence Based Nursing Practice Across the
Lifespan III. NURS-NC-OCT07-011 [pdf](#) C0792
21. New course, Nursing, NURS 4005 Nursing Issues and Trends.
NURS-NC-OCT07-012 [pdf](#) C0793
22. New course, Nursing, NURS 4006 Nurse Leader/Designer/Manager.
NURS-NC-OCT07-013 [pdf](#) C0794
23. New course, Nursing, NURS 4007 Nursing and Technology.
NURS-NC-OCT07-014 [pdf](#) C0795
24. New course, Nursing, NURS 4008 Nursing Issues and Trends.
NURS-NC-OCT07-015 [pdf](#) C0796
25. New course, Nursing, NURS 4010 Cultural Diversity and Nursing.
NURS-NC-OCT07-016 [pdf](#) C0797
26. New course, Nursing, NURS 4011 Ethics in Health Care.
NURS-NC-OCT07-017 [pdf](#) C0798
27. New course, Nursing, NURS 4012 Future Trends in Geriatric Nursing.
NURS-NC-OCT07-018 [pdf](#) C0799
28. New course, Nursing, NURS 4950 Selected Topics.
NURS-NC-OCT07-019 [pdf](#) C0800
29. New course, Nursing, NURS 4960 Undergraduate Internship.
NURS-NC-OCT07-020 [pdf](#) C0801
30. New course, Chemistry, CHEM 1152, Survey of Chemistry II
CHEM-NC-JAN08-004 [pdf](#) C0804

Attachment C.

Faculty Manual changes proposed by the Faculty Policies Committee

EXISTING SECTION

204.1 The Academic Policies Committee

204.1.1 Membership

The committee shall consist of three students, the Registrar and Director of Admissions (ex officio and non-voting), and eight additional faculty members (two from the Hull College of Business Administration, two from the College of Education, and four from the Pamplin College of Arts and Sciences).

204.1.2 Responsibilities

The committee studies and makes recommendations to the faculty concerning academic policies, including policies related to admission, registration, graduation requirements, scholarship standards, academic advising and other academic policies concerning students. This committee reviews grievances of students concerning academic matters and makes recommendations to the appropriate dean. The Academic Policies Committee reviews curriculum recommendations from the colleges and forwards these to the University Council along with the committee's recommendation.

If, however, the membership of the committee thinks that some matter is largely routine or is the exclusive concern of one college and therefore does not require consideration by the faculty as a whole, it may, after conferring with all academic deans, and with their approval, and with a unanimous vote, give final approval to the recommendation. Any addition, deletion, or deactivation of a program, major, minor, or area of concentration, or any change to areas A-E of the core must be considered by the faculty as a whole.

PROPOSED SECTION

204.1 The Academic Policies Committee

204.1.1 Membership

The committee shall consist of eight faculty members (two from the Hull College of Business, two from the College of Education, and four from the Pamplin College of Arts and Sciences), three students, and the Registrar (ex officio and non-voting) and Director of Admissions (ex officio and non-voting). Voting members serve two-year terms and may not serve consecutive terms.

204.1.2 Responsibilities

The committee studies academic policies and presents recommendations to the faculty. These policies include policies related to admission, registration, graduation requirements, scholarship standards, academic advising, and other academic policies concerning students.

The Academic Policies Committee also reviews curriculum recommendations from the colleges which may fall into one of three categories:

- (1) Any addition, deletion, or deactivation of a program, major, minor, or area of concentration, or any change to areas A-E of the core.
If approved by the committee, such matters are forwarded to University Council with the recommendation that they be placed on the agenda for the faculty meeting for a vote.
- (2) Recommendations on a routine curricular matter.
If the committee approves the recommendation by unanimous vote and the committee unanimously determines that the matter either does not consist of a significant change in the curriculum or is the exclusive concern of one college, then written approval is to be sought by the committee from all the deans. If all deans approve the recommendation, then the matter is forwarded to University Council with the recommendation that it be placed on the agenda for the faculty meeting for information only.
If the approval either by the committee or by the deans is not unanimous, the matter is forwarded to University Council with the recommendation that it be placed on the agenda for the faculty meeting for a vote.
- (3) Other recommendations.
If approved by the committee, such matters are forwarded to University Council with the recommendation that they be placed on the agenda for the faculty meeting for a vote.

This committee also reviews grievances of students concerning academic matters and makes recommendations to the appropriate dean.

Attachment D.

Faculty Manual changes proposed by the Faculty Policies Committee

EXISTING SECTION

204.25 The Student Honors and Awards Committee

204.25.1 Membership

The committee shall consist of four faculty members (one from the Hull College of Business, one from the College of Education, and two from the Pamplin College of Arts and Sciences), four students, the Director of Student Activities, and the Registrar and Director of Admissions. The Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations shall be an ex officio and non-voting member of this committee.

204.25.2 Responsibilities

The committee recommends for faculty approval both ways and means to stimulate interest in scholastic achievement and the qualifications for receiving awards and honors. The committee also determines recipients of scholastic awards and honors based on appropriate recommendations, recommends policies regarding honor and professional fraternities and societies, conducts the activities necessary for carrying out the honors and awards ceremonies, and coordinates with the University Ceremonies Committee in planning and conducting the honors and awards ceremonies.

PROPOSED SECTION

204.25 The Student Honors Convocation Committee

204.25.1 Membership

The committee shall consist of four faculty members (one from the Hull College of Business, one from the College of Education, and two from the Pamplin College of Arts and Sciences), four students, the Director of Student Activities, and the Registrar and Director of Admissions. The Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations shall be an ex officio and non-voting member of this committee.

204.25.2 Responsibilities

For the Honors Convocation, the committee establishes policies regarding which scholastic awards and honors are to be given and coordinates with the University Ceremonies Committee in planning and conducting the honors and awards program. The committee also selects the Academic Recognition Day Scholar and selects the recipients of the John C. Groves Senior Service Leadership awards.

Attachment E.

President's Report

This is a short report, intentionally that way because I thought that perhaps the rest of the meeting might be longer than usual.

So—let me comment on a few things, make one announcement, ask you to think about something, and—perhaps—leave time for any questions or comments that you might have.

As far as comments go, I'm aware of the time of year. Spring is reputed to be on its way here, as is our "spring pause" in classes on Thursday and Friday. Winter sports are finishing up, with both the men's and the women's basketball teams likely to make it into the NCAA tournament (a first for us, I think). Spring sports are underway—with a great start for softball, a .500 start for baseball (which is good), a new coach for women's golf, and nationally ranked tennis teams.

In Atlanta it is budget season. The scoreboard for that game, in terms of the Governor's recommendation for formula funding for the system, looks good at the moment. But there are still runners on bases and, probably, a few disputed calls by umpires.

Here in our academic world of classes and students, I think that my office has never seen a better spring as measured by the very low volume of complaints and the high volume of compliments by students. I don't know what you're doing to cause this, but please don't stop doing it.

And in all of this I am so incredibly pleased, as I have been for years, by the diligence, dedication, and accomplishments of the people at this university with whom I have the privilege of working.

Announcement: Dr. Peggy Ruth Geren, who has led the on-campus A-Day Campaign for the past two years has applied for retirement. Drs. Debbie and Hubert van Tuyll will assume the lead for this campaign for the next two years.

Also, faculty should be thinking how to handle the announcement of faculty award winners, which has traditionally been done at the student honors convocation. Should this be moved to the staff recognition ceremony?

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