

## **Minutes for University Senate Meeting**

20 Apr 2012 3:30 PM

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**Present:** Susan Allen, Mike Augustine, Andrei Barkovskii, Beauty Bragg, Ryan Brown, Scott Butler, Dianne Chamblee, Jan Clark, David de Posada, Toi Franks, Liz Havey, Sandra Jordan, Josh Kitchens, Debby MacMillan, Mary Magoulick, Judith Malachowski, Ken McGill, Rebecca McMullen, Cara Meade, Leslie Moore, Fadhili Mshana, Lyndall Muschell, Maxwell Pichan, Amy Pinney, Stas Preczewski, Jason Rich, John Swinton, Craig Turner, Edward Whatley and Catherine Whelan.

**Regrets:** Kirk Armstrong, Dean Baker, Martha Colvin, Carrie Cook, Jennifer Flory, Diane Gregg, Will Hobbs, Evan Karanovich, Greg Mahan, Stephen Price, Holley Roberts, Doreen Sams, Susan Steele and Mike Whitfield.

**Absent:** Stephen Auerbach, Carol Bader, Jen Maraziti, Bryan Marshall, Mike Rose and Chris Skelton.

**Guests:** Cody Allen (2012-13 SGA President), Kay Anderson, David Muschell (Parliamentarian), Matt Rogers and Elaine Whitaker.

**Jan Clark (Presiding Officer)** called the meeting to order at 3:32pm.

**Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda as circulated was made, seconded and approved.

**Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes as circulated was made, seconded, and approved.

### **Committee Reports**

**Academic Policy Committee (APC):** Dr. Amy Pinney Chair

[Motion 1112.APC.002.P: Electronic Recording Policy](#) is brought to the Senate for discussion. A clarification was made by Dr. Sandra Jordan (Provost) that if a statement granting permission for students to record the lecture is included on the course syllabus, then students enrolled in the course are consenting to be recorded in compliance with such a syllabus statement. Since this motion comes from committee it requires no second. After some discussion, the motion carries.

[Information item: 2013-2015 Academic Calendar](#) is brought to the Senate noting that spring break is one week earlier than usual. Past year's efforts to have GC spring break coincide with Baldwin County School's spring break have not

always worked out. This year the spring breaks on the 2013-2015 academic calendars were set at times that seemed to be preferable to the faculty.

**Curriculum and Assessment Policy Committee (CAPC):** Dr. Ryan Brown Chair

[Motion 1112.CAPC.012.C; New Concentration Philosophy](#) is brought from committee for a B.A. in Philosophy with a Religious Concentration. No one was present from philosophy to speak to the motion. Provost Jordan brought up some concerns that this may not comply with a SACs requirement for the number of hours in the concentration. There was also a question about the Area F requirements by Dr. Beauty Bragg, specifically the 0-9 hours regarding the language proficiency. It was noted that this could be met by the language proficiency exam. University Registrar Kay Anderson noted that the hours under Area F must total to 18 hours not 12 as in the proposal.

Dr. Ken McGill made a motion to commit the motion to CAPC for further review in consultation with the Provost and Registrar. Dr. Craig Turner seconded. The motion to commit carried.

**Resources, Planning, and Institutional Policy Committee (RPIPC):** Dr. Judith Malachowski Chair indicated that there was no report from RPIPC.

**Faculty Affairs Policy Committee (FAPC):** Dr. Craig Turner Chair (report attached)

**Student Affairs Policy Committee (SAPC):** Ms. Dianne Chamblee Chair indicated that there was no report from SAPC.

**Student Government Association (SGA):** Mr. Maxwell Pichan, SGA Vice President, provided a brief report about the new Georgia College Mobile App.

**Executive Committee (ECUS):** Dr. Jan Clark Chair asked Dr. Ken McGill to provide the report for the subcommittee on nominations. [Subcommittee on nominations: Ken McGill](#)

Dr. McGill reported that the slate of nominees for the officers and committees of the 2012-2013 University Senate is now included in the online motion database as Motion 1112.CN.004.O and that it is linked to the agendas of both the 20 Apr 2012 and 27 Apr 2012 meetings of the University Senate. The slate may be updated from its present form prior to its presentation on 27 Apr 2012 should the Subcommittee on Nominations become aware or be notified of needed revisions.

Dr. Jan Clark asked Dr. Catherine Whelan (Presiding Officer Elect) to provide a report from the Governance Retreat Planning Committee.

Dr. Whelan reported that the Governance Retreat is for outgoing, continuing and incoming senators so all members of the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 University

Senates will be invited to attend. The plan at this point is for an overnight retreat paid for by Interim President Stas Preczewski. The tentative plans are looking like we will be going to Callaway Gardens. The Senators will leave after the Annual Assessment Day (Aug 7, 2012) and travel by bus and then return on the next afternoon (Aug 8, 2012). The Governance Retreat Planning Committee will be sending out a poll (likely from Monica Starley) asking for an RSVP of your intent to attend. Responding to this poll is extremely important given the way this event is funded.

**Provost's Report:** Dr. Sandra Jordan Provost

Dr. Sandra Jordan met with Dr. Mike Digby. She reported that he is making progress on the on-line Georgia College Policy, Procedures and Practices Manual. The policies in the manual are being reformatted to be consistent with the template that is presently in use by the university senate for policy motion submission. There will also be a new menu and table of contents implemented to facilitate searching the manual as a stop gap with another change to these facets before the manual update by Dr. Digby is completed.

**President's Report:** Dr. Stas Preczewski Interim President

Dr. Preczewski brings good news on the upcoming year's budget. GC is better off next year than this year. A number of things accomplished this year, and GC is looking at being able to continue that into the upcoming year.

The state has restored the 2% budget cut. There was only a 2.3% increase in tuition for students. The state is talking about restoring the merit raises for the following year.

**Information Items:**

Dr. Ken McGill thanked Jan Clark for her service as Presiding Officer of the 2011-2012 University Senate. Other senators extended their gratitude with applause, some standing.

Dr. Jan Clark thanked Mr. Matt Rogers for his wonderful service and superlative work effort during this past year as the Graduate Assistant of the 2011-2012 University Senate and awarded Matt Rogers a University Senate pin as a token of this appreciation.

Dr. Jan Clark indicated that certificates had been prepared to recognize service as a university senator and/or a committee officer during the 2011-2012 academic year. The certificates were given to each recipient by either Provost Sandra Jordan or Interim President Stas Preczewski. Those receiving certificates at this meeting included: Susan Allen, Mike Augustine, Andrei Barkovskii, Ryan Brown, Scott Butler, Dianne Chamblee, David de Posada, Toi Franks, Liz Havey, Josh Kitchens, Judith Malachowski, Deborah MacMillan, Ken McGill, Rebecca McMullen, Cara Meade, Fadhili Mshana, David Muschell, Lyndall Muschell, Maxwell Pichan, Amy Pinney, Matt Rogers, John Swinton, Craig Turner, Edward Whatley, and Catherine Whelan. Recognition certificates will be delivered to the recipients who were unable to attend this meeting.

Dr. Jan Clark provided Provost Jordan and Interim President Preczewski with recognition certificates for their work on the Executive Committee and the University Senate. Provost Jordan and Interim President Preczewski presented Jan Clark a recognition certificate for her work as Presiding Officer.

Dr. Jan Clark advertised some upcoming meetings indicating that the organizational

- meeting of the 2012-2013 University Senate is scheduled for Friday, April 27, 2012 from 2:00 to 3:15 in A&S 2-72.
- meetings of 2012-2013 Standing Committees (APC, CAPC, FAPC, RPIPC, SAPC) are also scheduled for April 27, 2012 and will immediately follow the organizational university senate meeting. The locations of these committee meetings are indicated on the agenda of the 27 Apr 2012 University Senate meeting.

To comply with Article IV, Section 2 of the University Senate Bylaws requiring that the committee annual reports *shall be posted with the last University Senate meeting of the academic year*, a link to the website archiving these reports is provided here. The url is [http://info.gcsu.edu/intranet/univ\\_senate/Annual Reports 2011 2012/index.htm](http://info.gcsu.edu/intranet/univ_senate/Annual_Reports_2011_2012/index.htm)

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved.

*The meeting adjourned at 4:22pm.*

*These minutes recorded by Deborah MacMillan, University Senate Secretary.*