The minutes of the meeting held on September 20th were approved. President Patton stated that the major question is what the state budget will be. The economic forecasters from the University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, and Georgia State came together to do an independent estimate regarding the state projections. This has been done and it differs little from Bill Tomlinson's projections - - it does not show a quick recovery. One concern is the suggested major cut to MRR money. A counter suggestion would be putting more funding into MRR, thus putting more people back to work. Dr. Patton has been working with Tom Lewis and Dene Sheheane with the legislature making the case for funding for Georgia State in keeping with it's position as a leading university. The science building needs matching funds and we have been strategizing on how to proceed with this, and especially a lead gift. Provost Henry reported on the current budget, and that the Regents chose Plan A which is a 2 1/2% reduction. The hiring slowdown has been lifted. Enrollment for spring is very strong. This is the first semester without a printed schedule.

Addressing items on the agenda, from Faculty Affairs, the Changes to Evaluation of Administrators Instruments were approved. The Proposal on Non-tenure Track Faculty was considered and the decision was made to hold for the Budget Committee to review. The Committee on Research's Resolution on Graduate Tuition Waivers was to be returned to committee. The Motion to Revise Reentry Policies was approved, as was the Motion to Streamline the Appeals and Petitions Process. Also approved were the Motion to Revise Admissions Requirements for Home-Schooled Students. The Proposed Revisions to the 2002-2003 Calendar was approved with the recommended change of having Commencement on August 11th instead of August 12th. The Policy to Increase Math Placement Testing had already been approved so no action was required.

The proposed changes to the Senate calendar from the Committee on Statutes and Bylaws were approved. The Executive Committee also approved the Changes to the Core Curriculum Area E, as recommended by APACE, and endorsed the Resolution on Library South Closure. The Policy on Distribution of Official Notifications to Students via Email was endorsed.

The spring semester meetings of the Executive Committee will be scheduled via Email.

Submitted by,
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