The minutes from the meeting on March 5, 2007 were approved.

President’s Report

The President reported that:
- Georgia State will not be getting funds for minor repair projects.
- He is working on finalizing a $5 million gift for the Professional Education Center.
- Georgia State is looking into purchasing additional housing space in order to meet the projected increase in freshman noted in the strategic plan.

Provost's Report

The Provost reported:
- The COE Dean Search Committee has forwarded names for his consideration.
- Recruitment and admissions are on track for an additional 300 freshman this fall.
- Two appointments were announced: Dr. Dana Fox was appointed Senior Faculty Associate for the Advancement of Women, Dr. Cora Pressley was appointed Associate Provost for Underrepresented Faculty.

Nominations Report for 2007 – 2008 was accepted as submitted.

Motion from the Committee on Academic Programs and the Committee on Admissions and Standards on Critical Thinking Through Writing Requirements was passed.

Motions from the Committee on Admissions and Standards concerning (a) Academic Recognitions, and (b) Expanding the Pass/Fail Grading Option were passed.

(c) a motion for a University-wide set of Student Grievance Procedures was passed with the following amendment:

After the following clause was inserted (underlined), Page 10, under I. Purpose and Applicability....

All appeals under these procedures will be made based only on the written record. A student’s appeal under these procedures will be granted only if the student can prove, by preponderance of evidence, that a decision was arbitrary, discriminatory, or inequitable.

Motion from the Committee on Faculty Affairs concerning the Degree Verification/Equivalency Policy was passed.
The committee submitted an edited version of the PTI handbook which was passed.

Motion from the Committee on University Statutes and Senate Bylaws amending the bylaws to reflect changes in the structure of the Staff Council was passed.

Debbie Rupp presented the following names for the Taskforce on Staff Retention.

Dean Dabney, College of Health and Human Sciences
Bill Kahnweiler, Andrew Young School of Policy Studies
Lisa Lambert, Robinson College of Business
Ed Nangle, Corporate Management Consulting, Inc. Newnan, GA
Linda Nelson, Assistant VP, Human Resources
Ellen Posey, Associate Director Institutional Research
Debbie Rupp, Staff Council
John Medlock, Arts and Sciences

The committee agreed to appointment of these individuals to the task force.

The Committee discussed an item submitted by Dr. Elizabeth Burgess, Chair of the Committee on Student Life and Development concerning transportation to the Alpharetta Campus. The Committee agreed that someone in the Provost's office would contact Nursing to see if more classes were being offered at the Alpharetta campus and if transportation was an issue that needed to be addressed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.