Senate Statutes and Bylaws Committee
MINUTES
November 28, 2000

Members present: Gary Arthur, Murray Brown, Tim Crimmins, Marjorie Faust, Dan Franklin, Amy Lederberg, Greg Lewis, Mary Beth Walker.

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Murray Brown, at 10:35 a.m. The first item of business was the approval of the October 26, 2000 minutes. The minutes were approved with no changes.

The committee reviewed and discussed the figures presented by Dr. Lederberg regarding the various committees' membership. The committee agreed that it is difficult to determine exactly how to interpret the language in the University Statutes. It was suggested that rather than continuing to try to interpret the passage in question, the committee should focus on drafting language that is clear. Discussion continued on the topic of committee membership. It was decided that a subcommittee be formed to draft language that clarifies the committees' position on this issue. The subcommittee will draft several versions and indicate the ramifications of each version. The full committee will then vote on which version best clarifies the committee's position on this issue. Subcommittee members are Amy Lederberg, Dan Franklin (chair), Chris Paton, and Tim Crimmins. The subcommittee will meet sometime after the first of the year.

The next item of business came from Mary Nell Stone. She introduced a proposal to change the University Statutes, Article X, Sections 23 and 24. These sections directly quote the Board of Regents Bylaws on the matter of “employment, resignation, and removal of a faculty member”. When trying to link our Georgia State University Statutes with the passages in the web version of the BOR Bylaws, it was discovered that the numbering had changed. This proposal would amend our Statutes so that the stated sections in the Board of Regents documents that are quoted are correctly cited and referenced. The question was called. The motion passed.

Since there was no further discussion or business, Dr. Brown adjourned the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Nell Stone,
Committee Assistant