Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Jerry Edwards at 12:25 p.m.

Approval of the March Minutes
The minutes of the March 1, 2001 were approved by acclamation.

Code of Conduct Revisions
Kevin Propst submitted a document to the SLDC regarding the proposed changes to the Code of Conduct. The subcommittee has reorganized the headings within the COC in order to provide more continuity, made grammatical changes, and has made legal changes to the document. The most significant changes have been made to sections 3.2 (Classroom Behavior), section 9.5 (Sanctions), and 14.4 (suspension of terms for student leaders). The subcommittee will forward Kurt Keppler the entire 54 page COC document via email which will then be distributed to all SLDC members for review. The SLDC will vote on the proposed changes at the 4/19/01 organizational meeting.

Student Fee Update
Kurt Keppler informed the SLDC that the Board of Regents is scheduled to vote on the proposed increase in the student activity fee at its April 11, 2001 meeting. The GSU budget committee will make its decision for the fiscal year 2002 budgets at its next meeting April 6, 2001. The GSU budgets will be approved with the assumption that the BOR will not approve an increase in student activity fees. Should the fee increases be approved, the a second round of student activity fee funding hearings could take place during fall semester 2001.

Student "Customers" Discussion
The student "customers" verses students as "learners" discussion was again raised at the SLDC. Concern exists that the "customer" model is not inclusive of students and does not perceive them as members of the GSU community. The question was raised as to whether or not all members of the GSU community view students as customers and do we want to view students as customers? Questions also included: (1) does calling students customers help anything? (2) are students perceived differently by faculty and student services departments? (3) what does the model of students as customers imply? and (4) does it matter what we call students but rather how we treat students? Kurt Keppler suggested inviting faculty members Georgia Rainbolt (Philosophy Department and chair of the Admissions & Standards Committee), Hugh Hudson (History Department) and Darren Boyles (Educational Policy Studies) to the next SLDC meeting to add further insight to the discussion.
Petitions to Charter
The following organizations submitted petitions to charter which were approved by the SLDC: BIGS of GSU (Big Brothers, Big Sisters affiliate), the Dance Ensemble, Delta Phi Lambda Sorority, Panther Film Works, and the Voices of Praise Gospel Choir. The motion to approve was made by Peggy Gallagher and seconded by Nicole Duffey. The previously tabled petition for the Walt Disney World Program Alumni was tabled again as no further information regarding the nature of the organization was presented to the committee.

SGA Resolution on the Eid Holiday
Omar Hajsaleh presented the SLDC with a SGA resolution calling for the official recognition of the Islamic Eid holiday as a sanctioned school holiday. SGA would like the resolution to be passed by the SLDC and then submitted to the University Senate for approval. Mr. Hajsaleh explained that numerous Muslim student had complained to the SGA that faculty were not allowing students to take the holidays off from class as an excused absence (the holiday occurs twice a year on the lunar calendar for a period of three days each time). Concerns were raised regarding the sanctioning of one particular religion's holiday without addressing the holidays of other religions. A suggestion was made to alter the wording in the Code of Conduct regarding excused absences and to add the holiday to the holiday list distributed by President Patton each fall to all faculty. The suggestion was also made to contact Jewish students at GSU to see if they were experiencing the same types of problems with their professors. The discussion on this issue will continue at the next meeting.

Announcements
It was announced that there will be an organizational meeting for new members appointed to the SLDC April 19, 2001 at a location TBA. Code of Conduct revision proposals will also be voted on at this meeting by the 2000-2001 members of the SLDC. Several members of the SLDC indicated that they would be returning for the 2001-2002 year. With no further announcements, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Cynthia L. Martin, Secretary