In Attendance: Lauren Adamson, Joan Carson, Ron Colarusso, Bill Fritz, Charlene Hurt, Fenwick Huss, Steve Kaminshtein, Susan Kelley, Bob Moore, Robin Morris. Ron Henry, Chair

Other Attendees: Bill Paraska

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of March 28, 2007 were approved.

New Phone System Pro Forma
Ron Henry addressed the handout on the Four Year Projection for the new phone system. The handout addressed various operating expenses and charges for the new phone system.

Bill Paraska from IS&T answered various questions raised by the deans about the new telephone system. Lauren Adamson commented that work by staff in the College of Arts and Sciences on providing the necessary information to IS&T for the new system has been a major project. Lauren Adamson added that the front end investment has been large.

Ron Henry commented that the university will see a reduction in telecommunication costs with this new system, especially in long distance costs. Annual projected savings of approximately $300,000 will be used to upgrade continuously the network infrastructure. Hopefully, this will avoid the occasional previous multi-million dollar investments such as GSUNet1 and GSUNet2.

Bill Fritz mentioned that the new phone system will enable the Enrollment Services areas to better serve the students and general public especially during high peak times. Bill Fritz added that major service areas around campus will benefit from the new phone system. Ron Henry added that the Enrollment Services areas will begin using the new phone system next week.

Scholarly Definitions and FIMS
Joan Carson addressed the handout on scholarly definitions for FIMS. Joan Carson recommended changing the word Pedagogy Publications to Instruction Pedagogy under Section III on the handout. The deans agreed with this change.

Joan Carson reported that FIMS will go down for two months beginning May 15 until the end of July for modifications and other work by the FIMS development team.

Joan Carson reported that the FIMS team is working on a fully expanded data dictionary and searchable index. Joan Carson added that she will send the deans the dictionary of terms used in FIMS.

The deans discussed Section IV on the handout on Scholarly Work and made suggestions and comments on clarifying some of the scholarly work, research, and other creative activities that should be included in this section.

Enrollment Update
Bill Fritz provided a handout on enrollment. Bill Fritz reported that the enrollment trends for the summer semester look robust with 13,000 students enrolled. Bill Fritz reported that the fall semester enrollment looks good with early registration and planning ahead as factors.

Bill Fritz reported that the credit hour target for fall semester is 315,000. The freshmen applications are being reviewed with 5,000 accepts and an anticipated freshmen yield of 2500. Bill Fritz added that enlisting the support from departments in recruiting efforts with their department majors has been a great help with enrollment.

The deans discussed and commented on the enrollment data handout.

Football Pro Forma
Ron Henry addressed the handout on the operating budget for the Georgia State University Athletic Association. The handout outlined revenue and expenditures for the proposed football program.

Ron Henry reported that the Student Athletic Fee would increase initially by $85 per semester to help fund the football program. The deans commented that this increase would be a burden on graduate students.

Ron Henry reported that at least $7.9 million in capital will need to be raised in order to get the program off the ground. Ron Henry
added that gender-equity sports will need to be added to the Athletics program which would include sports such as Women’s Lacrosse, Field Hockey, and Crew.

Ron Henry mentioned that other costs associated with beginning a football program would include a marching band, practice fields, and a field house. Ron Henry added that the university would need to rent the Georgia Dome for the games because the university would not have its own stadium.

Ron Henry reported that money from external supporters will be essential for the program. The target date for the proposed football program would be FY2010.

The deans discussed the Football Pro Forma handout and its implications for the university.

**Any other business**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 9, 2007, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Golden Key Board Room, 2nd Floor Student Center.