In Attendance: Charles Derby (in for Lauren Adamson), J L Albert, Robert Moore (in for Jim Alm), Bill Fritz, Charlene Hurt, Fenwick Huss, Roy Sobelson (in for Steve Kaminshine), Robin Morris, Susan Kelley, Robert Sattelmeyer, Ron Henry, Chair

Approval of Minutes:
The minutes of May 28, 2008 were approved.

Enrollment/Budget - update

Enrollment - Summer semester enrollment is doing well. After two rigorous fee cancellations we are currently at 14,800 students and 114,000 credit hours. We expect to make our target of 15,000 students enrolled and be up 4,000 students from last year. All of our colleges are reporting increases in enrollment for the summer.

There are 19,000 students enrolled for the fall semester and over 220,000 credit hours registered. It remains unclear whether we will make our target of 2,800 freshman enrolled but we are up 400 applications from last year and currently stand at 9,822 received thus far, the largest number we’ve ever received. A little over 5,300 students have been admitted and there are still 350 applications pending. Over 2,700 students have announced that they would attend Georgia State. In past years these confirmations have had a 94% predictive value.

While transfer applications are down from last year, the admitted pool remains flat. There are still 1,900 pending applications. Schools across the university system are reporting low transfer rates as well.

Budget - The Chancellor has requested that institutions implement a 5.0% budget cut for fiscal year 2009, increased from the earlier recommended 3.5%. The BOR intent is to demonstrate strategic management by not cutting areas of importance or areas that meet the goals of the University System. GSU will only be able to cut the previously suggested 3.5% which will amount to $7.1 million. Because of the money we received in advance for occupying buildings, we expect to be alright for fiscal year 2009. However, we will need to focus on the requested budget cuts for fiscal year 2010, which now stands at 4.0% or $8.1 million. With student enrollment/credit hour increases that we expect to generate, we may only have a $4 million cut to deal with. We can anticipate 50% of our workload money going towards the budget cut but the rest of the action will need to be done through actual cuts. Further discussions on the budget will need to concentrate on how to deal with a $4 million budget cut for FY 2010.

Distance Education - further discussion on draft policy

- Ron Henry passed out a draft policy on tuition return for online courses. Deans discussed the policy with their respective areas beforehand and all agreed that the framework is reasonable and should work well. Ron announced that he will work with Mary Finn to get the policy in the right format and it will be effective immediately.

Issues and Goals for next 12 months

- The Library’s copyright suit will not be resolved by the fall semester, as previously projected.

Next Meeting: July 23, 2008 from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. in the Golden Key Board Room, 2nd Floor, Student Center.