
CALL TO ORDER

The chair, President Carl Patton, called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m..

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the May 12, 1994, meeting were approved as distributed.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Patton welcomed everyone for the new academic year. He said that we had recruited 72 new faculty. He welcomed the new university provost, Dr. Ronald J. Henry. Patton listed a number of successes the university has enjoyed. We have recruited a group of presidential scholars to Georgia State University. The College of Law students once again rank the highest in the State for individuals taking the test for the first time (this is four out of five years). Senator Sam Nunn was on campus last week to announce a grant from the National Science Foundation of $5.5M to Hal McAlister and his colleagues in Physics and Astronomy for the CHARA Array. He will announce the successful completion of the $14M Rialto campaign at the end of the month as soon as pledges are realized. Also, former First Lady Rosalind Carter was with the College of Health Sciences to speak on issues of Health Care. Bill Usery was with our Labor Studies program speaking about labor problems in the baseball strike. On November 2, David Longanacker was on campus holding a hearing on Higher Education Reauthorization. The university's strategic plan is in progress, headed by the Provost. The Campus Master Plan is being revised. Athens Cafe should open in the first of the new year next to Georgia State University's new Police Station in the One Park Place building. We are participating right now in our charitable campaign, and we are about half way to the goal. He encouraged everyone to make donations and thanked everyone that had participated.

Patton reminded the body that the faculty and community meeting was to be on November 10 at 3:00 p.m. At the community meeting, Al Nucifora is to speak on the marketing plan. In addition, Patton discussed plans made with the School of Hospitality and the School of Music for a Renaissance Dinner in cooperation with
the Commerce Club to try to bring the university community together for two evenings, December 12 and 13.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Committee Election. Patton explained that due to the resignation of Bea Yorker from the Executive Committee to assume the assistant provost position, a position was open on the committee. He asked for nominations from the floor. Those nominated were: William Waugh, Public and Urban Affairs; Jeff Rupp, Education; and Stephanie Summers, Health Sciences. Nominations were closed.

Tim Crimmins requested that each nominee give a short statement as to why they would be a good member of the Executive Committee. After the statements, Carolyn Robison explained the new voting system employing the issuance of colored voting cards for Senate members. She explained that resource people on the committees, Staff Council members, and guests did not have voting rights. Patton thanked the nominees; the votes were cast and ballots given to tellers for counting. The meeting was returned to Dr. Patton for other items of new business.

Resolutions from the Executive Committee: Paula Stephan, Chair of the Executive Committee, said that there were nine resolutions before the body today; the committee recommends a do pass on all nine. The chairs will present the resolutions:

Resolution 1: Committee on Faculty Affairs (Gabor Patonay, Chair): Policy on Promotion, Tenure, and Development for Tenure Track Faculty. Patonay said that several committees had worked on the document and that it represented several years' work. There was no discussion. The question was called. The resolution was passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 2: Committee on Planning and Development (Tim Crimmins, Chair): Strategic Plan Approval Process. Crimmins spoke as a representative of the Council of Chairs, not as the Chair of the P&D Committee. There was no discussion. The question was called. The resolution passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 3: Committee on Planning and Development (Tim Crimmins, Chair): Criteria for the Allocation of Space at Georgia State University. There was no discussion. The question was called. The resolution passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 4: Committee on Statutes and Bylaws (Sheryl Gowan, Chair). Crimmins presented the resolution for Gowan: Change the name of the PACE Committee (Committee on Programs and Continuing Education) to the APACE Committee (Committee on Academic Programs and Continuing Education and that all sections of the Bylaws be appropriately changed. There was no discussion. The question was called. The resolution passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 5: Committee on Admissions and Standards (Hugh Hudson, Chair). Policy on Hardship Withdrawal. This is a modification of the policy. An explanation was included with the mailing. In discussion, Katharine Stone, Acting Director of Learning Support Programs, said that in the third paragraph, second to last line, the policy states that "an associate dean from the student's college..." She said that they do have students from her division but that they do not have an associate dean. In order to have the appropriate person involved, she suggested that the language be changed to "the representative from the student's college on the associate dean's group..." This would not change any of the other people who would be on the committee but it would involve the proper person from Learning Support Programs. Hudson said that this was seen as a friendly amendment. Ahmed Abdelal said that he supports the spirit of the change, but in the College of Arts and Sciences, the Associate Dean that works with student affairs is not the same Associate Dean that is on the associate dean's group. Therefore the suggested wording would not be correct for his college. He felt that different wording should be used. Stone suggested a change from "associate dean" to "associate dean/director" since Learning Support Programs does have an associate director that sits on the
associate dean's group and would be the appropriate person to sit on that committee. This was still seen as a friendly amendment. There was no further discussion. The resolution was passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 6: Committee on Admissions and Standards (Hugh Hudson, Chair). General Catalog Statement on Cumulative Grade-Point Average. There was no discussion. The question was called. The resolution passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 7: Committee on Admissions and Standards (Hugh Hudson, Chair). Proposed Revision of Academic Renewal Regulation. There was no discussion. The question was called. The resolution passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 8: Committee on Admissions and Standards (Hugh Hudson, Chair). Policy on Academic Honesty. Hudson said that there was one editorial change: in Section IV (Provost Action), sub-section 7.1, change the wording "he will render a decision" to "the Provost will render a decision." Also, on page three under procedures for resolving matters of academic honesty, it is noted that the College of Law has its own honor code. The way the sentence is written, there might be some confusion. They would like to make sure that everyone understands that they are not simply discussing procedures that would be under the College of Law's honor code, but the College of Law's honor code would handle issues of academic dishonesty within the College of Law. This was mentioned for clarification for the record. There was no discussion. The question was called. The resolution passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution 9: Committee on Nominations (Bob Sattelmeyer, Chair). Approval of Changes in Committee Memberships since original approval on May 12, 1994. Sattelmeyer said that this was routine housekeeping to bring everyone up to date on committee changes. There was no discussion. The resolution passed with no dissenting votes.

RESULTS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTION: Patton announced that as a result of the voting for the new member of the committee, Jeff Rupp was chosen. Patton congratulated Rupp and said that he looked forward to working with him in this capacity.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Patton asked for the committee reports. Since Admissions and Standards would be first, he asked Hudson if he would explain how the policy on Academic Honesty would be promulgated, distributed, and so forth.

APACE. Dave Vanko, Chair. They have been involved this fall in eleven active reviews of academic programs. They are doing this according to the previously established ten-year review schedule of academic programs. Seven of the programs are at an advanced stage where the reviews are being done by the Graduate Council and the Undergraduate Council. The reports are being written and should be presented to the APACE committee for acceptance and transmittal to the Provost. Four of the reviews are new reviews just starting.

Admissions and Standards. Hugh Hudson, Chair. The committee has requested that the Policy on Academic Honesty take effect immediately and that the policy be available for all colleges in the office of the dean and that a copy of the policy be distributed to all faculty. In this way, a student or anyone with a question could get an answer. The committee would like to have this distributed broadly. They have also asked that the policy be included in the ON CAMPUS, the undergraduate co-curricular handbook as well as be available for the Faculty Affairs Handbook. Therefore, all members of the university community will be aware of the document. Another matter before the committee is a process of looking at the retention and graduation rates of students defined by various categories. They hope to bring that information and some recommendations concerning possible changes in admissions to the Senate body, or at least to the Executive Committee, for further discussion. They are also looking at the policy on faculty workload across the university and they will be bringing information on that matter before the Senate as well.
Athletics. Valerie Miller, Chair. The primary item of discussion for the committee was the possible development of a new attendance policy for students. At this point, the policy is that student athletes are expected to be in class and that it is up to the individual faculty member to excuse or not excuse a student for an absence. It has come to the attention of the committee that quite often a student that has been recruited to represent the university in a sport is not being allowed to participate in that sport due to not being excused from class by a professor. This could also be a problem for a variety of other students -- those participating in moot courts, those participating in debating teams, various students in the College of Art and Music doing shows, etc. The committee has appointed a subcommittee to develop a policy to forward to Faculty Affairs and to the Student Life and Development Committee for possible consideration and approval.

Budget. Fred Massey, Chair. A copy of the report of the Budget Committee was placed in each chair. Massey was open to questions. The next meeting of the committee is November 10. Katharine Stone asked a question about item three about the exempt status for student assistants. She asked if this was also relative to Graduate Research Assistants. Massey said that the memorandum did include GRA's.

Commencement. Carl Patton, Chair. We have had commencement speakers who have brought Georgia State national attention. Georgia State was in an edition of PEOPLE MAGAZINE as a result of Ted Turner's speech. The committee continues to bring good speakers to the campus. In December, the speaker will be Chancellor Stephen Portch (Sunday, December 11, 3:00 p.m.). In March, the speaker will be the White House Personnel Director (Sunday, March 26).

Committee on Chairs. Paula Stephan, Chair. This is an ad hoc committee; it has met three times from the middle of the summer forward. The first meeting was to discuss possible agenda items for the Executive Committee retreat in September. The chairs have found this committee very useful in discussing topics before their committees and they suggested that the committee meet again. That meeting was last week. Chairs spent much time in discussion of how items before their committees were linked to other committees. They also met in September to talk about a strategy for developing the Strategic Plan. One of the items that grew out of that meeting was the proposal Tim Crimmins presented today.

Cultural Diversity. Christine Gallant, Chair. No report.

Executive Committee. Paula Stephan, Chair. The committee meets approximately two times per month. In July, they welcomed their newest member, Ron Henry. On September 1, they had a retreat. They spent about seven hours talking about issues before the university and the Senate; these included the Strategic Plan, a discussion of the Enrollment Task Management Report, end-of-year sweep money, the EDUCOM report, issues concerning the capital campaign and the marketing plan.

Faculty Affairs. Gabor Patonay, Chair. A major portion of the time of the committee was spent on the P&T document. Additional business was related to faculty health services re funding. The committee recommended that, for the remainder of the year, we continue the "five dollars, one time" fee for faculty. A faculty member would pay five dollars on the first visit in a quarter, but this would cover the remainder of the quarter. After summer, 1995, the committee will look into an additional funding situation which will depend on the university funding of the Clinic. Other business included the subcommittee on the annual report format. Another was the evaluation of administrators; Dr. Patton will be evaluated in spring, 1995. They would like to increase the input from the faculty and also open two-way discussion channels re this. They also discussed with Provost Henry support for faculty development.

Library Advisory. Stephen DuPouy, Chair. In October, the committee analyzed the strategic plan for the Library and made some specific recommendations. They also looked at the balances of the endowment funds for the Library and began an examination of the Library budget. They also authorized Ralph Russell, University Librarian, to begin a study of Library usa to determine when would be the best times for the Library to be open. The next meeting will be November 9; they will continue with the analysis of the Library
budget and examine the general collection development policy.

**Nominations.** Bob Sattelmeyer, Chair. The activities of the committee are quiet until after the Senate elections in winter quarter. He is currently, at the request of the Committee of Chairs, polling Senate committee chairs to see whether some streamlining of some committees might be appropriate. Some committees have grown quite large, so they are asking the chairs for a sense of what they feel is the appropriate size for each committee. Information and recommendations will be passed on to Statutes and Bylaws.

**Research.** Chuck Derby, Chair. Bob Sattelmeyer reporting for Derby. One of the activities of the committee is the review of centers. There is a joint PACE/Research subcommittee that reviews both existing and proposed research centers at Georgia State. Currently they are concluding a review of the Gerontology Center and writing a report that will be finished in about a week. The committee will also have to review another existing center, the Parent-Infant Resource Center. There are four new, proposed centers to be reviewed: (1) Center for Neural Communication and Computation, (2) Center for Brain Sciences and Health, (3) Center for Business and Industrial Marketing, and (4) Center for Environmental Sciences. The committee as a whole has also been working on faculty productivity attempting to design a new instrument that would be used across the university to measure faculty productivity in teaching, research and service. Also, the committee has been working on the funding of graduate research assistants and, largely through last year's chair, Robin Morris, they have worked to clarify definitions of what GA's, GTA's, GRA's are and to establish levels of funding for each appointment. They have also been supporting the efforts of the Budget Committee to provide funds to support graduate students; this has been moving with somewhat better than glacial pace. The committee is concerned over a recent decision by the Student Government Association to disallow individual graduate students who have appointments at Georgia State from applying for funds for professional travel; they will be speaking with the Dean of Students about this in the near future. Finally, the committee continues to provide input into the internal grant programs, including suggesting reviewers and evaluating criteria for eligibility for programs.

**Planning and Development.** Tim Crimmins, Chair. There are three subcommittees at work looking at the (1) the Master Plan of the university, (2) the Capital Improvement Budget, the Major Rehabilitation and Repair budget, and the Special Projects Budget, and (3) suburban campus. They will have reports on each of these at the next quarterly meeting.

**Statutes and Bylaws.** Sheryl Gowan, Chair. No report.

**Student Discipline.** Valerie Miller, Chair. No report.

**Student Life and Development.** Ramsay Scott, Chair. The committee has met once and the time was spent focusing on issues they would like to look at for the next year. Some of the issues chosen are (1) review of student services and their accessibility to all students (including food service for law students during the regular quarter break which is not a break for law students), (2) allocation of student organization space in the new university center, (3) a review of student leader stipends; now the stipends range from $60 to $425 per month, (4) policies re the university village before it's completion in 1996.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 3:55.

Carolyn Robison, Secretary

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