MINUTES
UNIVERSITY SENATE
April 15, 2010


ORDER: The chair, President Mark Becker, called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 29, 2010 Senate meeting were approved with no changes.

COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR: The chair reported on a letter he received from the Chancellor about the ADP report that is on today’s agenda for approval by the Senate. The Chancellor acknowledges the challenges and difficulties documented in the report. He is committed to bringing the relevant issues to resolution. The chair announced several activities being planned around the first GSU football game on September 2. The Alumni Association is planning on having a pre-game venue. This will be a gathering point for the GSU community prior to the kickoff. The legislative session is continuing and will conclude on April 29.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Election of the 2010-2011 Executive Committee. Dr. Becker opened the floor for nominations. The names were recorded as nominated:
   - Rose Sevcik, College of Arts and Sciences
   - Elizabeth Beck, College of Health and Human Sciences
   - Paul Alberto, College of Education
   - Siva Nathan, Robinson College of Business
   - David Caudill, Staff Senator
   - Don Reitzes, College of Arts and Sciences
   - Jeff Rupp, College of Education

   The nominations were closed. Dr. Becker asked the senators to complete their ballots. The ballots were collected and tallied. While waiting on the results, the chair continued with new business.

B. The Executive Committee recommends a “do pass” on the following agenda item:

1. Subcommittee Report on ADP presented by the Budget Committee; Bill Downs for Hugh Hudson, chair. Dr. Downs moved that the report be approved by the Senate. This report does three things. First, it calls upon the full Senate to express its gratitude to the many offices and individuals who worked to implement ADP this past year. Second, it candidly offers a very clear indictment of ADP. The product failed GSU and compromised the smooth functioning of some of our most basic functions. The Budget Committee feels compelled to faithfully voice the magnitude of frustration that has been exhibited and felt throughout the university community and to send that message to the Chancellor and others external to the university. Third, this report describes the constructive efforts made by the Budget Committee and the Senate to facilitate better communication and information sharing between ADP users and the implementation team and to advance a set of recommendations on how we as an institution should move forward. Among those recommendations is for the university to aggressively hold ADP accountable for services not yet delivered. The motion was seconded. The question was called and the motion passed.
C. **Nominations Report** presented by the Nominations Committee; Paul Alberto for Shelby Frost, chair. The report was presented as distributed. The question was called and the motion passed.

The chair reviewed the information items included in the senators’ packets.

**SPEAKER:** Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration Jerry Rackliffe gave an update on ADP, the budget process for 2011, and other financial and administrative matters.

The chair announced the six senators elected to the Senate Executive Committee for 2010-2011 year: Paul Alberto, Rose Sevcik, Elizabeth Beck, Siva Nathan, Don Reitzes, and Jeff Rupp.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Paul Alberto gave an update on the strategic planning process. The Executive Committee has been asked to look into establishing an Honors College. An ad hoc committee will be formed to investigate this possibility and will report back to the Executive Committee in the fall.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Since there was no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Nell Stone
Secretary to the Senate