FACULTY SENATE MINUTES October 16, 2003

The Faculty Senate of the University of North Alabama met October 16, 2003 in the Faculty/Staff Commons of the University Center at 3:30 p.m.

President Barrett called the meeting to order and recognized the following proxies:

Mr. Dwight Bunn for Senator Wilson from Human Environmental Sciences.

The following senators were present: Adams, Adler, Armstrong, Atkinson, Barrett, Blose, Bobek, Butler, Cai, Crisler, Davidson, Figueroa, Foote, Ford, Gorham, Haggerty, Himmler, Holley, Hudiburg, Jobe, Keckley, Leonard, Loew, Makowski, Martin, McDaniel, Menapace, Myhan, Osborne, Parris, Robinson, Rock, Roden, Takeuchi, Turner, Van Rensselaer, and Webb.

The following senators were absent without proxy: Gothard and Tunell.

Senator Butler moved that the amended agenda be adopted. Senator Blose seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Senator Van Rensselaer moved the approval of the September 18, 2003 minutes. Senator Webb seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. President Barrett stated that the ACUFP fall meeting will be held at UNA on November 15-16 and solicited volunteers for help. Senator Webb volunteered to help.
- B. President Barrett reported that there would be a Shared Governance Brown Bag lunch in the Faculty/Staff Commons for faculty, staff and administration. President Barrett and Senator Butler will be conducting the question and answer session. Senators were urged to encourage their colleagues, especially new faculty to come from noon to 2 p.m. either day.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Committee Reports:
 - 1. The Academic Affairs Committee had nothing new to report.
 - 2. The Faculty Affairs Committee had nothing to report.
- B. Reports from Shared Governance Committees:

- 1. Senator Hudiburg reported from the Faculty/Staff Welfare Committee that had worked on a recommendation for a policy for the use of Bennett Infirmary, which was presented at the September Board of Trustees meeting. This change in policy went into effect October 1 but has not been communicated to the faculty.
- 2. Senator Van Rensselaer reported from the Strategic Planning and Budget Committee and encouraged faculty to read the minutes circulated on email because the committee has discovered some interesting things. Senator Osborne complimented Senator Van Rensselaer on the job she is doing.
- 3. Senator Butler, chair of the Shared Governance Committee, reported that the committee is in the process of getting the minutes of all the committees on the web and a hardcopy in the library.
- C. Senator Blose reported that the VPAA and Provost Search Committee has submitted three names to President Potts.

D. Dean Searches

- 1. The College of Arts and Sciences Dean Search Committee has had two meetings to approve the language in the job description and is in the process of getting out the advertisement. They will begin review on January 5, 2004.
- 2. The College of Education Dean Search Committee should have the advertisement in the October 24 Chronicle of Higher Education.
- E. The Ad hoc College of Education Investigation Task Force has completed their interviews and a report is in the process of being created.
- F. Due to the resignation of Dr. Barry Morris, member for the Foundation Board of Directors, a new member must be elected. Dr. Bruce Gordon was elected.
- G. Senator Hudiburg reported that the EEOC does not handle cases regarding sexual orientation. The proposed nondiscrimination due to sexual orientation wording revision passed with a vote of 26-8-1. The proposal will be forwarded to the administration.
- H. Senator Butler moved the approval of the slate of interested faculty for Shared Governance Committees. Senator Hudiburg seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The Shared Governance Committee is currently compiling a list of empty spaces on committees and will make recommendations to President Potts who will make the appointments.

NEW BUSINESS:

Senator Makowski moved to refer the promotion and tenure review process to Faculty Affairs. Senator Webb seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Senator Butler moved that the meeting be adjourned. Senator Hudiburg seconded. The motion passed unanimously.