COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
September 6, 2000
Wall Building, Room 317
4:00 – 4:40 PM


APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Gene Collins to accept the minutes of the July 12, 2000 meeting as mailed. The motion passed.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT: Dr. Hunt told the Senate that he had been asked by the Executive Committee to assume the role of Chair for this meeting due to a situation that had occurred. Hunt said there have been questions raised about who is eligible to be Chair. Reading from the Faculty Manual, Page IV-4, b(2): one of the duties of the Vice-Chair is "to succeed the Chair and complete the term if the Chair, for any reason, is unable to complete the term of office. In such case, a new vice-chair will be elected" and from page IV-3, 1 "...These senators must hold faculty rank. The College will count administrators with faculty rank in the determination of Senate representation. Administrators (except for department chairs) may not be elected to, or serve on the Senate Executive Committee." Hunt said on August 17th, he officially became the Interim Dean of the College of Education. At the end of last year, the College of Natural and Applied Sciences elected new senators. At that time Whitley's term ended, and he was not re-elected. Due to new faculty hires this fall, the College of Natural and Applied Sciences has two more senators, and they elected Whitley to go into a slot for one year. Hunt said the questions raised are: (1) was Whitley Chair when Hunt stepped down in August, even though Whitley had not been elected to another term as a senator; (2) when does the senate term end and begin. Some people think the term begins today (the first senate meeting of Fall semester). Was Whitley, even though he wasn't re-elected by his College in the fall to another term as senator, a senator through the summer and up until today.

Hunt said we have to decide as a group to elect a Chair, or does Whitley have the Chair position. Hunt said unless someone objects, he feels the position of the Faculty Manual should be followed.

A motion was made by Dave Evans to interpret the Manual in such a way that would allow Les Whitley to assume the duties of the Chair of the Senate for a one-year term. The motion passed and Les Whitley was elected to serve a one-year term.

Whitley thanked Dr. Hunt for the service he has given the faculty during his tenure as Chair of the Faculty Senate.

Whitley said the next order of business was to fill the position of Vice-Chair for a one-year term. Jill Sessions nominated John Beard. John Beard was accepted by acclamation to the position of Vice-Chair for a one-year term.

Whitley asked for nominations for the position of Secretary of the Faculty Senate for a two-year term. Philip Schneider nominated Greg Krippel. Greg Krippel was accepted by acclamation to the position of Secretary.
COMMITTEE REPORTS: None


OLD BUSINESS: Whitley reminded the Senate about the data Pat Rohr’s group had collected regarding concerns students have regarding advisement. At the July 12th meeting, Dr. Hunt asked for anyone interested in serving on an Ad Hoc Committee to review the role of the faculty in the advising of students, to contact him. Whitley said he is still very interested in getting that committee going, and anyone interested in functional and effective advisement should contact him as soon as possible.

NEW BUSINESS: A motion was made by Michael Ruse that the Senate terms begin with the first meeting of the new academic year. The motion passed and the Faculty Manual will reflect this clarification.

OTHER: Dave Evans asked that Dr. Horner be invited to attend the Senate meeting in October to answer questions regarding the budget. Evans said he will have specific items for the October agenda that he would like addressed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 4:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janet Straub
Faculty Senate Recorder