MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Youssef, Lamiaa (English & For. Lang., FS President); Haines, Ashley (Biology, FS Vice President); Fernando, Anne (Math, FS Secretary); Thomas, Kathleen (Health, Phys. Ed., & Ex. Sci., FS Assistant Secretary); Kamiru, John (Accountancy & Finance, FS Treasurer); Abrefa-Gyan, Tina (Social Work); Boone, Jacqueline (Early Childhood/Element. Ed); Chuang, Shao-Hui (Technology); Cooley-Doles, Joy (Psychology); Curiel, James (Sociology); Hu, Yen-Hung (Computer Science); Fang, Ming (substitute Khan, Mushtaq) (Math); Mead, Patricia (Engineering); Sawyer, Jason (Social Work); Blakely, Curtis (Secondary Ed.); Jackson, Kevin (Allied Health); Noginova, Natalia (Physics)

Members Absent: Harper, Natisha (Library) replacement pending; Jackson, Cathy (Mass Com.) replacement pending; de Laforcade, Geoffroy (History & Interdisc. St.); Goodloe, Angela (Secondary Ed.); Arasho, Wondwossen (Chemistry); D’Silva, Joseph ( Biology); Lewis, Marilyn (Social Work); Holmes, Maria (Nursing); Wilkens, Gary (English & For. Lang.); Isekeije, Solomon (Visual & Performing Arts); Mohanty, Bidhu (School of Business); Meshesha, Aberra (Political Science)

Guests: Thomas, Ronald (Psychology); Johnson, Mamie (English & For. Lang); Dr. Rasha Morsi (Computer Science)

I. Call to order: Meeting was called to order at 12:38 p.m.

II. Dr. Haines makes a motion to approve the FS October 18th meeting minutes; Dr. Curiel seconds motion; 15 for, none against, none abstain. Motion passes, minutes approved.

III. Old Business:

A. Complying with FS Bylaws Article III Vacancies in the Faculty Senate regarding persistent, unexcused absences from several senators:

Discussion on attendance. Comments on senators who do not attend and their seats are vacant according to the FS C&BL.

B. Updates from Executive Council meeting on September 25 and SGA town halls on October 3 and November 7:

Discussion on Executive Council meeting with President Stith included 5/10 week reports, faculty dining hall, and other faculty and students concerns.
FS president attended SGA town hall meetings in October and November. They meet first Wednesday of every month 7 to 9 p.m. Students did not express concerns related to faculty or academics. Concerns included laundry, dining, food quality, e-textbooks, etc.

IV. New Business:

A. Reports/updates from FS treasurer, chairs of FS standing committees, and senators:


B. Voting on amending the description for the Faculty Grievance Committee in the FS Bylaws to align with the *2018 Teaching Faculty Handbook*:

Report from FS Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Discussion on minor edits to the document: adding the word “Committee” to Status and Welfare to separate from Grievance Committee, so there is no confusion; rewording in Section 9 to reflect the committee composition as per the *2018 Teaching Faculty Handbook*. FS needed to vote, so it can be upload on website. Dr. Haines moves to accept, Dr. Thomas seconds, question from Dr. Mead on editorial matter. Motion passes with 15 for, none against, and none abstain.

C. FS report to the BOV for the BOV meeting on December 7:

Discussion on draft of report to FS Representative to BOV: Suggestions for rewording or editing some items on the PPT slides.

V. Adjournment: With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:28 p.m.