Meeting Agenda

A. Meeting Discussion
   1. The meeting of the NSU Faculty Senate was held on Tuesday, November 20th, 2007 in room 101 of the Lyman Beecher Brooks (LBB) Library with the President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer present. The meeting was called to order at 12:33 p.m.
   2. The roll was circulated for departmental representatives to sign. Dr. Hall reminded everyone present to make certain to sign the roll.
   3. Dr. Wall stated that after the fall of 2007, he would no longer be the Senate representative for the Mathematics Department; Dr. Earl would be his replacement beginning January, 2008.

B. Secretary’s Report
   1. Dr. Hall stated that the minutes from the October 16th Senate meeting were complete, but has not been forward to the departmental representatives for review, comments, and editing.
   2. Dr. Hall requested that the minutes of both the October 16th and November 20th meeting be forwarded to all the departmental Senate representatives, and approval of the minutes occur at the first regular Faculty Senate meeting to be held in January, 2008.
   3. A motion was put forth by Dr. Wall that the minutes of both the October 16th and November 20th meeting be forwarded to all the senate representatives for review and editing, and approved at the first regular scheduled senate meeting in January, 2008. A senator seconded the motion and the motion was agreed upon by all the senators present.

C. Treasurer’s Report
   1. Dr. Emogene Johnson-Vaughn stated that the current balance of the Faculty Senate’s Wachovia Bank account was $4,470.88. Income generated from paying members is $490.00 and there were no expenses drawn from the account.
   2. Thus, the total Faculty Senate Wachovia Bank account was $4,960.88. She indicated that the School of Social Work had a 100% faculty participation in paying their dues for the 2007 school year. She encouraged the departmental Senate representatives to make certain that dues are collected from all faculty members within their department.
D. Old Business
1. -The Election Committee, which consisted of Drs. Cassandra Newby-Alexander, Paula Briggs, Ira Falls, and Ron Thomas met, and organized the election process.
2. The Constitutional Committee and made the following changes to the Constitution and Bylaws:
   - Article IV, Section 2- Elections of Faculty Senators shall be held in November or December of each academic year.
   - Article IV, Section 5-Terms of office for senators shall be from January 1 to December 31.
   - Article V, Section 1- The Senate shall elect, in November or December, for a one-year term.
   - Article V, Section 2- Senate officers will assume their offices as of January 1. Old and new Senators will attend the January meeting to ensure continuity and a smooth transition.
   - Article VI, Section 8- The Faculty Senate Board meets at least once during the summer, and the President maintains a (reduced) leadership capacity during the that time.
3. A senator suggested that the Executive Board have a representative from the AAUP. The rationale for this suggestion was that it would “strengthen” both the Executive Board and the AAUP. A motion was put forth by a senator to amend the Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws to allow a representative of AAUP to be an “ex-official” member of the Executive Board, and to vote on this issue at the first regularly scheduled meeting in January, 2008. The motion was seconded by Dr. Hall, and agreed upon by all representatives present.
4. Dr. Johnson-Vaughn indicated that he wanted to give a “special recognition” to Dr. Ira Falls, III for his work on and contributions to the Constitution Committee.

E. Election Committee Report
1. The Election Committee met and indicated that the Faculty Senate officers nominated are:
   - Dr. Joseph C. Hall, President
   - Dr. Wold Zemedkun, Vice-president [Dr. Ron Thomas nominated with decline of Dr. Zemedkun]
   - Dr. Cassandra Newby-Alexander, Secretary
   - Dr. Henry Albritton, Assistant Secretary
   - Dr. Obertta Giboney-Williams, Treasurer
2. Dr. Wall then asked for any nominations from the floor. No nominations were made from the floor and a motion was made to close the nominations.
3. Dr. Wold Zemedkun stated that because of “constraints” with his schedule and faculty duties, he respectfully declined to be the Vice-President elect.
4. A motion was made to nominate Dr. Ron Thomas. The motion was seconded by Dr. Zemedkun. A motion was made to elect the nominated officers and that they serve for one year. The motion was agreed to by all Faculty Senate representatives present and the vote for electing the following amended nominated faculty Senate Officers was unanimous.
F. **President’s Remarks**
   1. President’s remarks- Dr. Wall recommended that the minutes of the meetings and constitution changes be forwarded to the departmental representatives before the regularly scheduled meeting in January, 2008. In addition, a suggestion was made to increase the “visibility” of the Faculty Senate by creating a Faculty Senate Website link, and the person to contact to initiate the process was Miss Debbie Jones, NSU Web Services Manager.

G. **Other Concerns**
   1. There were no other concerns discussed.

H. **Adjournment**
   1. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and the motion was seconded by Dr. Wall. The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.