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MINUTES OF THE GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

**Monday October 10, 2006 (approved 11/15/06)
ICC Auditorium**

PRESENT: Bates, D.Betz, P.Betz, Boettcher, R. Clarke, K. Cleary, Connor-Linton, Cumby, Diamond, Davis, De Fina, Dominique, C. Dover, Ernst, Glazer, Iglarsh, Jung, J.Larsen, Keesling, Kertesz, Lamiell, Lieber, McFadden, S.J., Morrell, J. O'Donnell, O'Malley, G. Owens, Pfeiffer, Rebeck, Ronkainen, V. Sheppard, Toporowicz, T. Walsh, L.Walters, C. Weiss, Yearwood,

ABSENT: Aleinikoff, Andrews, Barbari, Bennett, S. Bloch, Bondurant, Douglas Brown, P. Byrne, Canzoneri, S. Cohn, G. Daly, Dimolitsas, Eagles, Engler, Fink (sabb fall), R. Friedman, K. Gale, Goldfrank, R. Haft, Hirsh, Kirpatrick, R. Manuel, McAuliffe, McCabe, E. Moore, Moran Cruz (exc. Fall '06), S. Mueller, J. Murphy, C. Norton, Oakley, Pedrick, S. Ross, A. Shad, Shambaugh, Shedel, A. Singer, Sistrunk, Soldin, K. Taylor, Timkcom, Verbalis, Vroman, L. Walker, J.Walsh,S.J. (sabb 06-07), Weidenbruch, Witek,S.J., Wylen.

GUESTS: Anne Glenzer (Blue & Gray), Gloria Massaro, Marcia Mintz

Business: The meeting called to order at 4:20 p.m. and adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of Sept 11, 2006

Motion #1: that the minutes of the previous meeting (Mon, Sept 11, 2006) be approved without amendment. The motion was seconded and passed as follows:

Aye	Nay	Abstain
24	0	4

2. Report from Ad Hoc Committee on Appointments

The *Ad Hoc* Committee on Appointments was previously charged to draft language for the Handbook that would ensure Faculty participation in the procedure for full time non-tenure appointments. LeRoy Walters presented a brief update on the committee's progress. The committee has received reports from three units on the Main Campus and from the Law Center and GUMC. Other reports are

outstanding but should be shortly received. The primary focus is on full-time non-tenure-line faculty appointments and any other non-tenure line appointments that include the title “Professor.” It is expected that the committee will recommend language that a body of Faculty in the appropriate academic unit will review and approve such appointments. A full report is anticipated at the November Senate meeting. Senators are encouraged to comment on the committee’s work and they can do so by emailing LeRoy Walters at waltersl@georgetown.edu.

3. Faculty Relations Subcommittee meeting with the Board

Wayne Davis provided an update on the recent meeting of the Faculty Relations Subcommittee of the Board. The Subcommittee discussed the adoption of a web-based Faculty Handbook consisting of all Board approved policies specifying faculty rights and responsibilities. It was considered that an individual should be appointed with responsibility for ensuring that the web-based version be maintained current. The Provost offered to have someone identified within his Office, and this was agreed by the Subcommittee. Approval of this approach will enable the current print version of the handbook to become obsolete and the new and correctly revised, updated and approved sections of the Handbook to become the current Handbook. As subsequent revisions are approved, they will be incorporated immediately.

4. Proposed Faculty Handbook revisions

The Senate considered the Faculty Handbook revisions submitted by the Governance Committee. The Senate has already seen and approved much of sections I, II, and IV-VI, with the exception of the sections VM and VI (section III is not ready for discussion). After a discussion of VM and VI, a motion was proposed and seconded:

Motion #2: that the words “tenure-line” be added after “full-time” in the first lines of Sections VI 2 and VI 4. The question was called and the motion passed as follows:

Aye	Nay	Abstain
14	8	4

A subsequent motion was proposed and seconded:

Motion #3: that section VI 3 be amended to insert “credit bearing” and to delete “courseware” to read “A full-time faculty member may not offer credit bearing academic courses for distance learning or other forms of distribution except as provided by Georgetown University.” The question was called and the motion passed as follows:

Aye	Nay	Abstain
23	2	1

Motion #4: that Sections I-VI (excluding Section III) be sent to the Faculty for review, comment and further discussion. The motion passed as follows:

Aye	Nay	Abstain
24	0	0