

*Southern Connecticut State University  
Faculty Senate Meeting  
Minutes of December 7, 2011*

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The 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of 2011-2012 was called to order at 12:15 pm by President Susan Cusato.

**Members Present/Absent** (Members absent are designated in **bold**)

Emmanuel Emenyonu (Accounting)	<b>Michelle Lawler (Counseling)</b>	Matt Rothbard (Exercise Science)	<b>Sue Clerc (Library Services)</b>	<b>(Part-Time Faculty)</b>	Susan Cusato (Science Ed/Env Stud)
Valerie Andrushko (Anthropology)	<b>Uchenna Nwachuku (Couns/Sch Psych)</b>	Susan Calahan (Exercise Science)	Rick Bassett (Management)	<b>(Part-Time Faculty)</b>	Dana Schneider (Social Work)
Jeff Slomba (Art)	Tom Fleming (Earth Science)	Resha Cardone (WLL/Foreign Language)	Mel Prince (Marketing)	<b>(Part-Time Faculty)</b>	Heather Pizzanello (Social Work)
Terrence Lavin (Art)	James Thorson (Econ/Finance)	<b>Lisa Vitale (WLL/Foreign Language)</b>	John Scheuermann (Mathematics)	David Pettigrew (Philosophy)	Jon Bloch (Sociology)
Meghan Brown (Athletics)	Maria Diamantis (Education)	Patrick Heidkamp (Geography)	Cynthia Gubitose (Mathematics)	<b>Jim Dolan (Physics)</b>	Patricia Major (Special Ed/Reading)
<b>Jane Feng (Biology)</b>	Beena Achhpal (Education)	Troy Paddock (History)	Wes O'Brien (Media Studies)	Kevin Buterbaugh (Political Science)	Ruth Eren (Special Ed/Reading)
Adiel Coca (Chemistry)	Peter Madonia (Ed Leadership)	Ginny Metaxas (History)	<b>Terese Gemme (Music)</b>	Gayle Bessenoff (Psychology)	<b>Kaia Monroe (Theatre)</b>
Annette Madlock-Gatison (Communication)	Judy Tarbox (English)	Jerry Dunklee (Journalism)	Leslie Neal-Boylan (Nursing)	Cheryl Durwin (Psychology)	Marty Hartog (UCF)
Deborah Weiss (Com Disorders)	<b>Mike Shea (English)</b>	<b>Elsie Okaobi (Library Science)</b>	Barbara Aronson (Nursing)	William Faraclas (Public Health)	James Thorson (Grad Council)
Herv Podnar (Computer Science)	Paul Petrie (English)	Rebecca Hedreen (Library Science)	<b>(Part-Time Faculty)</b>	Jan Jones (Recreation/Leisure)	

Approval of Minutes: Senate Minutes of November 16, 2011 were approved as submitted.

Announcements:

- The dates for the Faculty Senate meetings for Spring 2012 are as follows: January 25, February 8, February 22, March 7, March 28, April 11, and April 25. The Standing Committees will meet the other Wednesdays.
- No refreshments will be available for all of the meetings of the spring 2012 semester.
- Library does have some money this year, departments can request as soon as possible any needed books and/or films

President's Report documents -

- The two submitted resolutions to President Battle were not approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Resolution #1 : Moratorium on Department Consolidation.  
After discussion on the motion: regarding consolidation and restructuring of departments, there was a call the question without any objections.

The main motion was voted: yes: 33, no: 0, abstentions: 7. **Resolution passed.**

- Resolution #2: "Interpretation and Application of the Process of Consultation in the context of Shared Governance "  
After some discussion, the question was called but failed to meet the 2/3 requirement. Discussion continued. A motion was made for this resolution to be tabled indefinitely. Votes: for: 13, against: 23, abstentions: 0. Motion is defeated.

Discussion continued on the main motion. A motion to make a revision: passed by majority --- for: 23, against: 16, abstentions: 0. **Motion accepted as revised.**

- Faculty Creative Activity Research Grant - the Guidelines for the 2011-2012 Competition. Five Propositions to amend the SCSU FCAG - a motion was made to accept propositions 1-4 and 6: for: 37, against: 0, abstentions: 0. **Propositions 1-4 and 6 were approved as submitted.**  
After lengthy discussion on #5 proposition results were as following  
For 5A: results of votes on this motion to accept as presented - for: 6, against: 27, abstentions: 3. Defeated.  
Results on 5B motion to accept as presented: for: 4, against: 30, abstentions 3. Defeated.

Request to alter the Agenda and move to Standing Committee reports. No objections.

Standing Committee Reports:

**Student Policy** - Senator Madonia

Senator Madonia asked for a sense of the senate on the location of graduation to Bridgeport. Results: in favor: 17, against: 6, abstentions: 6.

**Academic Policy - Senator Bloch**

Senator Bloch asked for the sense of the senate on examining the BS and BA (with UCF and CAC) requirements for the undergraduate catalogue.

Results: in favor: 19, against: 0, abstentions: 5.

**Technology - Senator Tarbox**

There is a survey to examine faculty's use of technology in the classroom and students' use of technology. Surveys will provide information to make appropriate decisions on technology.

Survey is live now and we need an announcement to go out. This survey takes 3-5 minutes and it will remain live until January and even further. Senators asked that the announcement of the survey is made by President Cusato through Patrick Dilger.

Motion to adjourn at 1:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dr. Maria Diamantis  
Faculty Senate Secretary