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Faculty Senate Librarian's Report July 22, 1997

A summary of business conducted by Faculty Senate Committees between the last Faculty Senate Librarian's report (May 26, 1997) and July 15, 1997.

Admissions Committee: Senator Lorilee Medders Schneider, Co-Chairs Dale Wasson and Mike Deal

The Admissions Committee met on March 31, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Spring Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	4	4	8
Denied by Committee	15	20	35
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽¹⁾	0	0	0
Total Committee Action	19	24	43
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	19	24	43
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	7	7
Denied by VPAA	0	3	3
Approved by VPSA	2	0	2
Denied by VPSA	4	0	4
Approved by President	0	3	3
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	6	13	19
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0

Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on April 1, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Spring Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	2	1	3
Denied by Committee	0	19	19
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽²⁾	0	0	0
Total Committee Action	2	20	22
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	2	20	22
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	9	9
Denied by VPAA	0	2	2
Approved by VPSA	0	0	0
Denied by VPSA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	11	11
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on April 3, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Spring Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	0	9	9
Denied by Committee	0	58	58
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽³⁾	0	2	2
Total Committee Action	0	69	69
Learning Support	0	3	3
Total Appeals Action	0	72	72
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	30	30
Denied by VPAA	0	2	2
Approved by VPSA	0	0	0
Denied by VPSA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	12	12
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	44	44
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on May 13, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Summer Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	1	1	2
Denied by Committee	1	5	6

No Action Taken by Committee ⁽⁴⁾	0	0	0
Total Committee Action	2	6	8
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	2	6	8
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	1	1
Approved by VPSA	0	0	0
Denied by VPSA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	1	1
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	2	2
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Athletics Committee met on April 10, 1997.

1. **Revised Minutes:** The minutes of the March 12, 1997 meeting were amended to read that the Southern Conference Baseball Championship would be held *April 24-27* and delete Rachel Tolliver's name..
2. **Financial Update:** Brad Stricklin reported that \$763,800 in athletics fees were collected for spring quarter, and Mike Hodges will be off the payroll by the end of April.
3. **Other Athletics Department Issues:** Sam Baker reported that (a) coaches are actively recruiting; (b) spring football practice in underway, (c) scrimmage at the stadium is scheduled for every Saturday in April; (d) baseball is winding down; (e) football season ticket sales are well ahead of last year; (f) Snooky Yawn donated a memorial at the J.I. Clements Stadium; (g) the 1200th win is baseball is coming up.
4. **NCAA Representative Update:** Lane Van Tassell reported that the Southern Conference spring meetings in May will center around restructuring..

5. **Other Business:** The fall cross country schedule was approved. In addition, Frank Ellwood reported that the all-female student-athlete GPA for winter quarter of 2.92 is the highest ever; and the all-male student-athlete GPA is 2.32, and the Honor's Day luncheon is to be held on May 7 at RJs.

Campus Life Enrichment Committee (CLEC): Senator Debra Sabia, Chair Carol Thompson

The Campus Life Enrichment Committee met on May 22, 1997.

Members reviewed and discussed at length DLS proposals and decided to move the Jerome Rose and Van Gogh proposals to the PAS selection. The committee agreed to finalize their selections for both series at the next meeting on May 28th.

The Campus Life Enrichment Committee met on May 28, 1997.

Members were informed that the CLEC budget will receive no increase for 1997-1998 and will remain at \$70,147. Carol Thompson also reported that she accepted the position of Interim Director the 1997-1998 academic year. Members finalized their DLS decisions and awarded 8 of the 16 proposals in the amount of \$4,444. Members also finalized their PAS decisions and chose to fund three major events for the 1997-1998 year.

Faculty Development, Research, and Service Committee

Subcommittee on Faculty Development: Senator and Chair Fred Richter

Subcommittee on Research: Senator Natalie Adams, Chair Bill Ponder

Subcommittee on Service: Senator Jerri Kropp, Chair Marlynn Griffin

Graduate Council: Senator Dr. Jay Strickland, Chair Lane Van Tassell

Per Faculty Senate statutes, the minutes of the April 17, 1997 meeting were mailed directly to the Senators.

Honors Committee: Senator and Chair Martha Abell

Library Committee: Senator John Brown, Chair Elizabeth Downs

Undergraduate Council: Senator John Rafter, Chair Charlene Black.

Per Faculty Senate statutes, the minutes of the May 13, May 20, May 27, and June 3, 1997 meetings were mailed directly to the Senators.

Summary of the Academic Advisory Council Meetings: Chair Harry Carter

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Senate Librarian: Dr. Jay Strickland

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Faculty Senate Librarian's Report October 20, 1997

A summary of business conducted by Faculty Senate Committees between the last Faculty Senate Librarian's report (July 16, 1997) November 13, 1997.⁽¹⁾

Admissions Committee: Senator Lorilee Schneider, Co-Chairs Dale Wasson and Mike Deal

The Admissions Committee met on June 21, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Summer Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	4	1	5
Denied by Committee	5	11	16
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽²⁾	0	0	0
Total Committee Action	9	12	21
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	9	12	21
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	5	5
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by VPSA	1	0	1
Denied by VPSA	2	0	2
Approved by President	0	1	1
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	3	6	9
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on June 24, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Summer Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	1	1
Approved by Committee	0	7	7
Denied by Committee	0	24	24
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽³⁾	0	0	0
Total Committee Action	0	32	32
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	0	32	32
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	12	12
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by VPSA	0	0	0
Denied by VPSA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	5	5
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	17	17
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on June 25, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Summer Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	0	1	1
Denied by Committee	0	16	16
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽⁴⁾	0	5	5
Total Committee Action	0	22	22
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	0	22	22
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by VPSA	0	2	2
Denied by VPSA	0	3	3
Approved by President	0	6	6
Denied by President	0	2	2
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	13	13
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on July 17, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Fall Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	0	2	2
Denied by Committee	5	9	14

No Action Taken by Committee ⁽⁵⁾	0	0	0
Total Committee Action	5	11	16
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	5	11	16
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	1	1
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by VPSA	1	0	1
Denied by VPSA	3	0	3
Approved by President	0	4	4
Denied by President	0	1	1
Total Action Beyond Committee	4	6	10
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on August 1, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Fall Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	1	2	3
Denied by Committee	2	8	10
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽⁶⁾	0	5	5
Total Committee Action	3	15	18
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	3	15	18

II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	3	3
Denied by VPAA	0	1	1
Approved by VPSA	0	0	0
Denied by VPSA	1	0	1
Approved by President	0	7	7
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	1	11	12
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

The Admissions Committee met on September 9, 1997 to evaluate appeals for Fall Quarter, 1997. The results of the appeals are summarized below.

I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	4	6	10
Denied by Committee	9	34	43
No Action Taken by Committee ⁽⁷⁾	0	1	1
Total Committee Action	13	41	54
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	13	41	54
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	17	17
Denied by VPAA	0	2	2
Approved by VPSA	3	0	3

Denied by VPSA	2	0	2
Approved by President	0	12	12
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	5	31	36
III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

Athletics Committee: Senator David Stone, Chair Bill Bostwick.

The Athletics Committee met on May 14, 1997.

1. **Financial Update:** Brad Stricklin reported that ticket sales are slightly ahead of last year's sales.

2. **Other Athletics Department Issues:** Sam Baker reported the following.

- a. \$150,000 in new money is needed for scholarships.
- b. There have been no increases in travel and equipment budgets for quite some time.
- c. Coaches are doing a great job staying within budget.
- d. Football practice went well, and coaches are now recruiting in Georgia.
- e. All athletics events are completed.
- f. Georgia Southern will host a convocation for student-athletes on June 3.
- g. The Southern Conference meetings went well.

3. **Southern Boosters:** Tim Bernal reported good news concerning the "Back in the Black" campaign. Mr. Bernal explained that an additional \$90,000 had been raised, and a pledge to eradicate Southern Boosters debt had been received.

4. *Other Business:*

1. The men's basketball schedule was approved.
2. Brenda Carter reported that Lee Brooks and Danelle Toole will be recognized as Southern Conference graduate scholarship recipients.
3. Brenda Carter reported that Georgia Southern received a bid to host the volleyball tournament November 18-20.

5. *Old and New Business:* Bill Bostwick read a commendation proposed by David Stone regarding Jack Stallings' achievements. The following amended proposal was approved.

The Faculty Athletics Committee congratulates Eagle head baseball coach Jack Stallings as he achieves another milestone: 1200 career wins. We wish to commend Coach Stallings' long and distinguished service as a respected member of the University community. He is regarded as an exemplary coach by the faculty, by his colleagues, and by the student-athletes on his teams. We thank him for his dedication and look forward to many future years and further accomplishments.

Campus Life Enrichment Committee (CLEC): Senator Hal Fulmer, Chair Carol Thompson

Faculty Development, Research, and Service Committee: Senators Barbara Hendry, Saba Jallow, and Jerri Kropp, Co-Chairs Charlene Black and Lane Van Tassell

Graduate Council: Senator Dr. Jay Strickland, Chair Lane Van Tassell

Per Faculty Senate statutes, the minutes of the April 17, May 29, June 5, and July 11, 1997 meeting were mailed directly to the Senators.

Honors Committee: Senator Robert Warkentin

Library Committee: Senator Curtis Woody

Undergraduate Council: Senator John Rafter, Chair Charlene Black.

Per Faculty Senate statutes, the minutes of the May 13, May 20, May 27, June 3, and June 30, 1997 meetings were mailed directly to the Senators.

Summary of the Academic Advisory Council Meetings: Chair Harry Carter

The Academic Advisory Council met on June 2, 1997. As Faculty Senate representative, Jay Strickland prepared the following summary of the meeting.

1. **Common Course Prefixes:** Harry Carter distributed a memo from the Board of Regents that provides a partial list of common course prefixes and numbers. No information has been received to date concerning common course prefixes and numbers for graduate courses.
2. **Enrollment:** Dr. Carter reported that applications for fall 1997 are down 5-6%, and housing applications are down even more. The closing of Oxford Hall (300-400 beds) may help offset this decline.

Dr. Carter stated that we want to prevent a further headcount enrollment decline and asked Council members to think about ways to increase fall quarter enrollment. Charlene Black indicated that she would like to see enrollment data in order to shape strategies. Mike Deal observed that early enrollment is 186 higher than last year. This includes an additional 218 graduate students.

Possible strategies for increasing enrollment include: expanding and marketing distance learning opportunities for high school students, other distance learning activities, targeting new populations for distance learning, and promoting tuition reimbursement opportunities for GSU employees.

3. **Faculty Expectations:** Dr. Carter noted that Faculty Senator Deb Sabia recently addressed the issue of faculty expectations and rewards at GSU. In response to this interest within the university community, Dr. Carter provided each member of the Academic Advisory Council with a copy of *Restructuring the University Reward System*, a report by the Sid W. Richardson Foundation Forum. Dr. Carter will also present a copy to each Faculty Senator, Department Chair, and Assistant/Associate Dean and place copies on reserve at the Henderson Library.

Restructuring the University Reward System reports that "faculty were under strong pressure to do research and to publish in refereed academic journals in order to gain tenure and promotions [and] . . . there is lesser emphasis placed on excellence in teaching and professional service in order to achieve rewards. The survey also revealed large-scale dissatisfaction with the current system of priorities and rewards."

The report advocates that "new tenure, promotion, and merit models must be developed and implemented if universities are to change the way faculty are rewarded. Workable models will allow flexibility and encourage collaboration and participation within field settings."

Dr. Black observed that the GSU model of faculty expectations and rewards focuses on scholarship and depicts quality teaching, research, and service as growing out of quality scholarship. Dr. Carter observed that there is a need for a series of campus-wide seminars for department Chairs that would address issues such as the university reward system and legal issues in order to generate a level of common understanding.

4. **Library Report:** Julius Ariail reported that 1500 journal titles are currently available with text through the

Internet. During the upcoming year, the first links will be established at GSU, making it possible for users to see the full image of articles.

The Academic Advisory Council met on August 5, 1997. In Harry Carter's absence, Charlene Black chaired the meeting. As Faculty Senate representative, Jay Strickland prepared the following summary of the meeting.

1. **Course Numbering:** Dr. Black distributed a copy of a "Proposed Course Number System: Undergraduate and Graduate Curriculum" for consideration and modification by the Council. This plan was designed to comply with Board of Regents parameters while meeting the needs of Georgia Southern University. After receiving input from the Council, Dr. Black will finalize the proposal for submission to the Board of Regents.

2. **Open House (Admissions):** Dr. Black distributed copies of correspondence from Dale Wasson indicating that two Open House events were currently scheduled for fall quarter, 1997, and two were scheduled for winter quarter, 1997. The Council discussed the importance of (1) scheduling Open House events throughout the academic year, (2) scheduling Open House events during academic quarters, so faculty and students are present, and (3) ensuring the availability of Union facilities for official university events. Dr. Black will continue to work on the scheduling of Open House events during the upcoming year.

3. **Library Update:** Julius Ariail indicated that air conditioning renovation is in progress; Henderson Library will display a custom-designed banner on the front of the building during Welcome Week, and the automated book acquisition system has been reactivated and should continue throughout the academic year.

4. **Reorganization of English Department:** Roosevelt Newson announced that the reorganization of the Department of English into the Department of Writing and Linguistics and the Department of Literature and Philosophy is almost complete. Larry Burton will serve as the Interim Chair of the Department of Writing and Linguistics, and John Parcels will serve as the Interim Chair of the Department of Literature and Philosophy for a period of two years each. In addition, Curtis Ricker will serve as the Associate Dean to which these Chairs report during the upcoming year while a search is conducted. This search committee will be chaired by Lynn Wolfe, Assistant Dean, College of Health and Professional Studies.

The Academic Advisory Council met on October 7, 1997. As Faculty Senate representative, Jay Strickland prepared the following summary of the meeting.

1. **Enrollment:**

a. Total enrollment for fall quarter, 1996 after the 9th day of class and second cancellation was 14,125. Total enrollment for fall quarter, 1997 after the 13th day of class and second cancellation was 13,711. This is a difference of 414 students, or a 2.93% decline in enrollment.

b. By class, the greatest declines were among freshmen (-403 students, 7.51% decline) and seniors (-203 students, 7.76% decline).

- c. Among new students, the greatest declines were among beginning freshmen (-448 students, 14.62% decline and transfer freshmen (-178 students, -100.0% decline).

Census data will be collected in about one week, and Harry Carter anticipates Georgia Southern University's enrollment will be in the 14,000 range.

2. Budget Redirection/Reduction:

Dr. Carter distributed copies of a memo in which he asked Deans and Directors to submit a plan by November 27 that includes a 2% budget redirection and 1% budget reduction for their respective units. This will provide a foundation for budget adjustments should a decline in enrollment and credit hours result in a reduction in the FY 99 budget.

3. Annual Report:

Dr. Carter distributed copies of revised annual report guidelines from the Board of Regents and requested additional information from Deans.

4. President's Goals:

Dr. Carter distributed a handout entitled "Goals from the State of the University Address (9/21/97)." The goals presented in the handout were extracted from President Henry's speech by Michael Moore, Director of the Office of Planning and Analysis. Advisory Council members were encouraged to recommend ways in which these goals could be modified to Dr. Henry and copied to Dr. Carter.

5. Teaching and Learning Grants:

Dr. Carter distributed information concerning the Boards of Regents Teaching and Learning Grants for 1997/1998. Proposals should be received by Dr. Carter by Wednesday, November 5 at 5:00 p.m. These will be internally ranked and forwarded to the Board of Regents.

\$825,000 in funding is being made available to grantees. Additional information is available on the ASDL web site (<http://asdl.peachnet.edu/>). The RFP and Proposal Summary Sheet are available online in Portable Document Format (PDF). Applications may be obtained from the GSU Office of Academic Affairs.

6. ***Semester Conversion Simulation:*** Charlene Black is in the process of completing course numbering. Once entered, course information can be downloaded to run semester conversion simulations.

7. ***Commencement Ceremonies:*** December and June commencement schedules and potential speakers will be discussed during the October 28th Deans' Council meeting.

8. ***VPAA Title:*** The Board of Regents is currently considering the request to change the title of VPAA at Georgia Southern to Provost.

9. ***Henderson Library:*** Julius Ariail reported that:

a. The number of full-text journals available in electronic format has doubled, and it is anticipated that the number of electronic full-text publications will soon increase from about 1000 to about 1500. Details will be provided in the next library newsletter.

b. With the exception of the email area, the reorganization of the library is about complete. The elevators will be replaced after oil is removed from the ground below the elevators.

c. Henderson Library will be hosting a reception Library's manuscript collection.

10. ***Administrative Searches:***

a. Lane Van Tassell reported there are 54 candidates for the Director of Auxiliary Services position. Initial screening is underway, and it is expected that this position will be filled by January 1, 1998.

b. Julius Ariail reported that President Henry appointed an additional three faculty members to the VPAA Search Committee.

c. Charlene Black reported that the Comptroller's search committee has completed their initial screening, and the current pool includes 14 candidates.

11. ***Center for Wildlife Education and Lamar Q Ball, Jr., Raptor Center:*** Charlene Black reported that the center will open officially Saturday, October 11, at noon. People who made the center possible will be honored at half-time during the football that Saturday.

12. ***Other:***

a. Charlene Black reported that the General Honor's Program is on the agenda for the October 8th meeting of the Undergraduate Council.

b. Charlene Black reported that an Open House for student recruitment is scheduled for October 25 in the Union.

c. Mike Deal reported that Winter Quarter early registration begins October 29.

1. For minutes of meetings conducted prior to fall quarter, 1997, the names of 1996- 1997 Senate representatives and chairs are listed.

2. Appeal bypassed committee or received after appeal deadline

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Senate Librarian: Dr. Jay Strickland

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I. Committee Action	New	Returning	Total
Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	0	0	0
Denied by Committee	2	7	9
No Action Taken by Committee ^s	0	0	0
Total Committee Action	2	7	9
Learning Support	0	0	0
Total Appeals Action	2	7	9
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	2	2

Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by VPSA	2	0	2
Denied by VPSA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	2	2
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	2	4	6

III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	0	0
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	0	0

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Tabled by Committee	0	0	0
Approved by Committee	1	2	3
Denied by Committee	0	13	13
No Action Taken by Committee ²	0	2	2
Total Committee Action	1	17	18
Learning Support	0	1	1
Total Appeals Action	1	18	19
II. Appeals Beyond Committee	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	7	7
Denied by VPAA	0	1	1
Approved by VPSA	0	0	0
Denied by VPSA	0	0	0

Approved by President	0	6	6
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	14	14

III. Learning Support	New	Returning	Total
Approved by VPAA	0	0	0
Denied by VPAA	0	0	0
Approved by President	0	1	1
Denied by President	0	0	0
Total Action Beyond Committee	0	1	1

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Faculty Development, Research, and Service Committee: Senators Barbara Hendry, Saba Jallow, and Jerri Kropp, Co-Chairs Charlene Black and Lane Van Tassell

Subcommittee on Faculty Development: Senator Barbara Hendry, Chair Greg Russell

During the October 17, 1997 meeting, Gregg Russell was elected subcommittee chair. Evaluation guidelines were discussed, and proposals for grants for the development of instruction and professional travel requests were distributed to subcommittee chairs.

During the November 5, 1997 meeting, the subcommittee decided to fully or partially fund eight proposals for grants for the development of instruction for a total of \$16,640. Fifteen proposals requesting over \$50,000 had been submitted. The subcommittee also decided to fully or partially fund nineteen professional travel requests for a total of \$9,958. Thirty-four proposals requesting over \$27,000 had been submitted.

Graduate Council: Senator Dr. Jay Strickland, Chair Lane Van Tassell

Per Faculty Senate statutes, the minutes of Graduate Council meetings are mailed directly to the Senators. No minutes had been distributed during this reporting period.

Honors Committee: Senator Robert Warkentin**Library Committee:** Senator Curtis Woody**Undergraduate Council:** Senator John Rafter, Chair Charlene Black.

Per Faculty Senate statutes, the minutes of the August 11, October 8, and November 5, 1997 meetings were mailed directly to the Senators.

Summary of the Academic Advisory Council Meetings: Chair Harry Carter

The Academic Advisory Council met on November 4, 1997. As Faculty Senate representative, Jay Strickland prepared the following summary of the meeting.

1. ***Final enrollment:*** The final headcount for fall 1997 is 13,965.
2. ***Faculty evaluation sessions:*** A national teleconference on faculty evaluation will be conducted on November 14, 1997. In addition, a local program on faculty evaluation will be conducted for Deans, Assistant and Associate Deans, and Chairs from 1-3 p.m., November 18, in the Southern Center.
3. ***Fundraising policy:*** Harry Carter distributed a copy of the university's policy on fundraising. In particular, as a project is conceived and considered for a privately-endowed fund raising initiative, the faculty or staff member should first discuss the proposal with his/her Department Chair and Dean or Director. Only after this review, and with administrative concurrence, should the project be presented to the Vice President for the area with which the project is located and the Vice President for Development and university Relations . . . No solicitations may be made by any member of the faculty or staff without the approval of the Vice President for Development and University Relations.

Dr. Carter stressed that clearance should be received from his office before donations are sought for activities related to academic affairs. Faculty or staff who are invited to submit proposals to "anonymous donors" should notify Dr. Carter before proceeding.

4. ***Survey of summer pay policies:*** Dr. Carter distributed a list of institutions that are comparable to Georgia Southern and are currently on the semester system. Telephone interviews will be conducted in order to obtain information about these institutions' summer pay policies.

5. ***Truman and other scholarships:*** The Council recommended that a contact person be designated at Georgia Southern in order to cultivate students who are potential scholarship recipients. This will benefit the students and promote a positive institutional image. Charlene Black recommended that the Director of the

general honors program serve in this capacity.

6. **Academic strategic plan:** Dr. Carter distributed copies of the Middle Tennessee State University Academic Strategic Plan which also serves as the institution's Master Plans for review. The Academic Strategic Plan is organized around three goals: (a) Middle Tennessee State University will aggressively pursue academic initiatives in areas of competitive advantage -- where its unique strengths intersect with the region's growth opportunities; (b) Middle Tennessee State University will deepen excellence in its academic core and target continuous improvement of its undergraduate and graduate programs, and (c) Middle Tennessee State University will create a student-centered learning environment responsive to the needs of a diverse student population and accountable to citizens and taxpayers.

7. **Position searches:** Julius Ariail reported that the advertisement for the Provost position will appear in the November 14th issue of the *Chronicle of Higher Education*. Lane Van Tassell reported that four candidates for the Director of Auxiliary Services position are scheduled to be interviewed on campus. Dr. Black reported that four candidates for the position of Comptroller will be interviewed, and members of the Academic Advisory Council are invited to participate in these interviews.

8. **Code of ethics:** Dr. Carter reported that President Henry is interested in the development of a University Code of Ethics for administrators, faculty, staff, and students. This committee will be chaired by a senior faculty member, and Council members were asked to submit membership recommendations to Dr. Carter. The Code of Ethics will provide a broad, institutional framework with sections specific to administrators, faculty, staff, and students.

9. **Calendar issues:** Mike Deal provided a handout regarding projected number of graduates by college. The scheduling of June graduation ceremonies was discussed, and a final schedule is currently being developed. Dr. Black distributed working copies of the main events calendar and solicited recommendations.

10. **Semester conversion:** Virginia Samiratedu reported that work-load model provided by Banner will soon be available; this allows departments to see if their projected work-loads are consistent with 15-hour load guidelines. Dr. Black distributed copies of a brochure entitled, "What happens when we change to the semester system?" and asked for feedback. 30,000 to 40,000 of the brochures will be distributed. Dr. Black also reported that semester conversion information is now on the Georgia Southern homepage. People can forward questions regarding semester conversion; frequently asked questions and answers will be posted on the site.

11. **Open house:** Logistics related to conducting open house activities for general and "high ability" high school students were discussed.

12. **University System Research Committee:** Dr. Van Tassell reported that the University System Research Committee will be hosting a symposium on "technology and sustainable development." Denise Battles will participate as a panel member.

13. **Henderson Library:** Mr. Ariail reported that the elevator project will be completed before December, 1997.

Senate Librarian: Dr. Jay Strickland

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