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Question:

Rationale:

Response: Draft Intellectual Property Policy:

Dr. Lane Van Tassell responded to senators' questions concerning the policy. A policy is mandated by the Regents.

Ms. Pam Watkins moved that the term "research" be changed to "scholarship" in the following sentence: "A Georgia Southern University, herein referred to as the University, is dedicated to teaching, research, and the extension of knowledge to the public." The amendment was passed unanimously.

Dr. George Shriver (CLASS) said "I want to commend the committee for all the hard work that it has done, I am very sorry that our situation is such in American universities we have had to come to this in some ways because I think it will lead to a great deal of hypocrisy, and in many cases, there will be an unevenness or even a impossibility of administrating it." Dr. Henry added, "I fully agree."

Drs. Van Tassell and McLellan agreed that the concern of the committee would be to be equitable on a case by case basis.

Dr. Marc Cyr expressed concern about how "University-Assigned Efforts" would be defined; he also objected that the burden of proving individual efforts lies on the Originator.

At this point, the Senate voted to extend the meeting until 6:30.

Dr. Charles Gossett (CLASS) objected that University Foundation funded grants are part of the University-Assisted Individual Effort. He said it is "oxymoronic to . . . tax people for something that they have won in a juried competition with their colleagues." His motion to remove funded grants and stipends from Section II.C. was defeated. The motion to accept the Intellectual Property Policy as amended passed.

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