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Approved by the President: 11/29/2017

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Motion:

Faculty Governance OWG 5-1 recommends a change in the senate leader title to Senate President to replace title of Senate Moderator. Recommended change will be reflected in the new GSU bylaws. The SEC moves to change the title of Senate Moderator to Senate President. Additionally all title changes concerning the Senate Moderator to Senate President will be reflected in the new GSU bylaws.

Rationale:

The OWG 5-1 Faculty Governance met to discuss merging bylaws for the new Georgia Southern University. In an effort to foster an environment of collaboration and promote continual improvement in bridging relationships between campuses, members of the OWG negotiated the structure of faculty senate and revised the bylaws of the old GSU to reflect modifications. The first negotiated item is the senate leadership title with a recommended change from Senate Moderator to Senate President. The title of Senate President is consistent with other universities throughout the state of Georgia (See University of Georgia, Georgia State University and Kennesaw University websites below). UGA - <http://www.franklin.uga.edu/content/faculty-senate-members> Georgia State University – http://senate.gsu.edu/committees/executive/?gf_search=executive Kennesaw - <http://facultysenate.kennesaw.edu/>

Response:

Minutes 11/27/2017:

f. Change title of Senate Moderator to Senate President Attachment: Consolidated Bylaws
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Richard Flynn (CLASS) said the Moderator at Armstrong is called the Senate President. The OWG thought the name has meaning, and it is not an unusual title; for example, Kennesaw has President and President-elect, and it does not violate BOR rules.

Marc Cyr (CLASS) objected on the grounds that he had proposed "El Supremo," but nobody else on the SEC would go for it.

The motion was Approved.