

Faculty Senate Minutes  
Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Senators Dreamal Worthen and Mary B. Diallo, Presiding

**Attendance**

**Officers (Present)**

Dr. Mary B. Diallo, President  
Dr. Hudson Nwabuzor, Vice President  
Dr. Jacquelyn Bolden, Secretary  
Dr. Clyde Ashley, Parliamentary  
Dr. Dreamal Worthen 7<sup>th</sup> President

**Senators (Present)**

Dr. Willie Cook  
Dr. Jennifer Cherrier  
Dr. Gwendolyn Dixon  
Dr. Oare Dozier-Henry  
Dr. Kyle Eidahl  
Dr. Adeline Evans  
Dr. Mildred Fennal  
Dr. Nancy Fern-Vance  
Dr. Shawnta Friday  
Prof. Valerie Goodwin  
Lt. Col. B.K. Haynes  
Dr. Beulah Hemmingway  
Dr. Christopher Ikediobi  
Dr. Elijah Johnson  
Dr. Maurice Holder  
Dr. Ernestine Holmes  
Dr. Elijah Johnson  
Dr. Joseph Johnson  
Dr. Patrick Johnson  
Ms. Michelle Jones  
Dr. Robin Kennedy  
Dr. Peter Kalu  
Dr. Otis Kirksey  
Dr. Merlin Langley  
Dr. Lekan Latinwo

Ms. Lisa McClelland  
 Dr. Yvonne McIntosh  
 Dr. Wendell Motter  
 Dr. Odemari Mbuya  
 Dr. Mitwe Musingo  
 Dr. Augustine Nwabuzor  
 Dr. Ebenezer Oriaku  
 Dr. Donald Palm  
 Dr. Clyde Perry Brown  
 Dr. Rhonda Porter  
 Prof. Thomas Pugh  
 Dr. Nancy Redfern Vance  
 Dr. Marian Smith  
 Dr. Cornelia A. Taylor  
 Dr. Keith Tucker  
 Dr. William Tucker  
 Dr. Valerie White  
 Ms. Linda Williams  
 Dr. Charles Wright

**Ex-Officio Senators Voting (Present)**

Dr. Dorothy Henderson  
 Dr. Larry Rivers  
 Dr. Rodner Wright

**SGA Voting (Present)**

Ms. Roshell Rosemond

**Other Faculty and University Officials (Present)**

Ms. Pauline Hicks

**President's Report.** Before the meeting started, Dr. Dreamal Worthen reported that she had attended the conference of the American Association of University Professors in Minneapolis. According to Dr. Worthen, the conference addressed the NCAA rules and regulations as they relate to faculty governance. One of the documents that she made available to the faculty was titled "The Faculty Role in the Reform of Intercollegiate Athletics Principles and Recommended Practices."

After Dr. Worthen called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m., Ms. Shira Thomas, Esq. swore in Senators who had not attended the September meeting.

**Agenda.** After eliminating new business from the agenda to allow sufficient time for the election of officers, the assembly adopted the agenda.

**Minutes.** The minutes of the September meeting were approved, pending the following corrections:

- add the Research Committee report
- add Dr. Fennal and Dr. Porter to the attendance roster
- change the following: “The average income of FAMU students is \$31,000” to “The average *family* income of FAMU students is \$35,000.”

**Forum and Brown Bag Luncheon Committee Report.** The committee met on October 15, 2003. Dr. Alfonso Lorenzo, Chair of the Committee, talked briefly about the concept/white papers and reported that the Forum and Brown Bag Luncheon Committee is requesting all concept/white papers be submitted to the committee by the end of the fall semester. Dr. Lorenzo suggested that the concept/white papers present ideas and concepts that will move FAMU forward, adding that the concept/white papers should be ready by early spring. He announced that the Forum and Brown Bag Luncheon would be held on November 12, 2003, at noon. He stated that the location and time would be announced later.

**Senator Patrick Johnson** was given special permission to address the Senate. He reported that Joseph Young, a student in the Cardiopulmonary Science Program, died on October 15, 2003, one semester before graduating. Senator Johnson moved that Young be awarded the B.S. degree posthumously, pending review of his transcript by the Program Director and Dean of the School of Allied Health. **The motion passed.**

**Election.** The next item on the agenda was the election of officers. Senator Adeline Evans moved to vote by secret ballot. Following a brief discussion during which Senators on both sides of the issue expressed their opinions, the Parliamentarian ruled that the Constitution does not permit voting by secret ballot. Each candidate for president and vice president was given three minutes to address the Senate. Senator Mary B. Diallo was elected President of the Faculty Senate, and immediately after the election, she became the presiding officer of the meeting. The election results are provided below:

<b>Vice President :</b>	Dr. Hudson Nwakanma	SBI
<b>Secretary :</b>	Dr. Jacquelyn Bolden	Allied Health

**Steering Committee:**

Dr. Lekan Latinwo	Arts & Sciences
Dr. Marian Smith	Education
Dr. Perry Brown	Pharmacy and Pharm.Science
Dr. Peter Kalu	Engineering
Dr. Mitwe Musingo	CESTA
Dr. Patrick Johnson	Allied Health
Prof. Tom Pugh	Architecture

Dr. Augustine Nwabuzor	SBI
Dr. Willie Cook	General Studies
Dr. Valerie White	Journalism
Dr. Mildred Fennal	Nursing
Dr. Elijah Johnson	Environmental Sciences
Mrs. Cornelia Taylor	Library
Ms. Rochelle Rosemond	SGA
Ms. Lisa McClelland	Graduate Studies

#### **Committee on Committees**

Dr. Charles Wright	CESTA
Dr. Shawnta Friday	SBI
Dr. Reginald Perry	Engineering
Prof. Thomas Rasheed	Journalism
Dr. Nancy Redfern-Vance	Nursing
Mr. Virgil Miller	SGA

#### **Council of Deans**

Dr. Dreamal Worthen

#### **Executive Council**

Dr. Maurice Holder

#### **University Technology**

Dr. William Motter

Dr. Bill Tucker

#### **Athletic Committee**

Dr. Maurice Holder

Dr. Valerie White

#### **Graduate Council**

Dr. Ebenezer Oriaku

Dr. Lekan Latinwo

#### **Tenure and Promotion**

Dr. Adeline Evans

#### **Budget**

Dr. Beulah Hemmingway

Dr. Bill Tucker

**Advisory Council of Faculty Senates.** Dr. Worthen asked to address the Senate concerning her current position as chair-elect of the Advisory Council of Faculty Senates (ACFS). She asked that she be allowed to remain on the Council as a voting member. Senator Worthen said the new ACFS Constitution no longer requires the Chair or Chair-

elect to be to a faculty senate president. She also asked the Faculty Senate to decide who should represent Florida A & M University on the Council. This issue was tabled for further discussion at the next meeting.

**Southside/K-12 Mentoring Committee.** Dr. Worthen also announced the formation of a new K-12 Mentoring Committee, adding that she and Mr. Kirk Gavin are volunteer members of the Committee. Dr. Worthen asked Senators who would like to serve on the committee to contact her.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Submitted by: Dr. Jacquelyn Bolden