

**THE COLLEGE SENATE OF PIEDMONT VIRGINIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
FEBRUARY 20, 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 2:35pm on Friday, February 20, 2004.

Senators present:

Tracy Cersley	Kathy Hudson	Audaz Molina
Kit Decker	Lewis Lee	David Moyer
Brian Flick	David Lerman	Pat O'Rourke
Patricia Franklin	Michael Maldony	Angel Sims
Cliff Haury	Martha McKenna	
Linda Hitt	Grace Miller	

Senators absent:

J.W. Albright	Tom Hyder	Ben Sloan
Lee Fargo	Jane Kingston	Ann Smith
John Hancock	Marie Melton	

Alternates present:

Matt Bowen	Olivia Boykin	Bruce Robinson
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The Senate welcomed Lewis Lee as the new student senator serving the remainder of Kay Lacy's term.

Report on membership of standing committees – The Senate reviewed the report from its subcommittee on the membership of the standing committees. Brian Flick moved and Patricia Franklin seconded that **the Senate accept this report**. Motion passed. Anyone with additional items for the subcommittee should contact one of the members.

Nominations for CIO Search Committee - The following persons were nominated to serve on this committee: Angel Sims, Kit Decker, Sandra Taylor, and Catherine Claffin.

Nominations for Science & Technology Building Design Team – The following persons were nominated to serve on this committee: Cliff Haury, Bruce Robinson, Audaz Molina, and Marie Melton.

Senate Elections – Senators serving one-year terms are up for re-election and can be elected to a three-year term. Student senators only serve a one-year term; Steve McNerney will run the student election. We should contact division deans to ask if their representative(s) want to serve again. Officers serve two-year terms.

Honors Program – The Senate reviewed a report from C&I on the Honors Program and proposed changes. Grace Miller expressed concern about the increase in the number of honors credits required to graduate with honors because some classes conflict with each other on the schedule. Cliff Haury explained that 18 hours was chosen instead of 16 because one of the 16 was a student development class and that didn't work due to life experiences so the total was changed to six three-credit classes. Divisions work together on the schedule so there is only one conflict now.

Cliff Haury moved and Brian Flick seconded that **the Senate send forward to the President's Staff the revised Honors Program with the stipulation that the**

explanatory points provided by the Honors Director be clarified, especially Point #5. The Deans will work together to make sure the honors classes don't conflict with one another on the schedule. Motion passed with one opposed.

Summer Meetings – Frank Friedman has asked if the Senate could arrange a meeting in the summer to handle any issues that come up. The Senate discussed various ways of scheduling a meeting such as using Blackboard with a virtual classroom and allowing the Executive Council handle any issues. This would probably be on an ad hoc basis only and not a series of regular summer meetings. The Executive Council will discuss this in March and will address the quorum issue.

At 3:45pm Martha McKenna moved and Patricia Franklin seconded that **the Senate be adjourned.** Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat O'Rourke