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MEMBERS ABSENT: Baker (K), Sporny, May, Ford, Bailey, Brown (L), Guyer, Brown (B), Hankins, and Hardman.

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by President Donathan.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING DATED 9/30/99

Senator Somerville noted that he was at the September meeting but counted as absent. Minutes were approved as corrected.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Donathan made the following announcements:

- United Way Campaign -- $34,000 out of the $60,000 goal has been collected. The classified staff are ahead of the faculty.
- In transferring the original constitution from one disc to another, the discovered error in the section containing the responsibilities of the Legislative Affairs Committee was found to be a clerical mistake. Therefore, the constitution will not have to be amended.
- Chancellor Manning's schedule will allow him to meet with the senate in December to discuss the NCHEM survey.
- The Red Cross has asked the Faculty Senate to sponsor a blood drive in the spring in competition with WVU. In the past the winner was based on a percentage of donors from each university and a trophy was awarded. The senate is looking for volunteers to form a subcommittee that would sponsor this drive.

3. REPORT OF THE INTERIM UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

In his remarks Interim President Perry encouraged participation in the United Way Campaign with the emphasis on the positive relationship between "Town and Gown." He reported on the Presidential Search commenting on the recent "freeze" and its implications on the search. The possible budget cut of 10% across the board because of the ruling on mountain-top removal was highlighted and its relationship to taxes.

4. ACF REPORT:
There was no ACF report.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SR-99-00-2 (BAPC): Recommends a Change in Registration Policy for the following students: Yeager Scholars, John Marshall Scholars, Erma Byrd Scholars, and Hedrick Scholars. RECOMMENDATION WAS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA AND SENT TO THE STUDENT CONDUCT & WELFARE COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW AND ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SR-99-00-1 (BAPC): Recommends a 3.5 GPA standard for the Dean’s List. SEVERAL SPOKE TO THIS PROPOSAL AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT CLARIFICATION IN THE FORM OF STATISTICS WAS NEEDED. THE PROPOSAL WAS SENT BACK TO THE BUDGET & ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE FOR MORE CLARIFICATION AND INVESTIGATION OF ANY OTHER RELATED ISSUES.

SR-99-00-3 (BAPC): The classification of certain mathematics courses as "High Demand" would eliminate the excessive dropping of these courses during the withdrawal period. This committee recommends the approval of the following list of mathematics courses as "High Demand": MTH 121, MTH 123, MTH 127, MTH 130, and MTH 203. RECOMMENDATION WAS APPROVED.

6. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Standing committee reports were received from the following committees: Academic Planning, Athletic, Budget & Academic Policy, and Faculty Personnel.

7. REQUEST TO SPEAK TO THE SENATE:

Monica Brooks from the Library spoke on deselection of books in certain disciplines in answer to several senators inquiries. She explained the situation and the expansion action.

8. AGENDA REQUEST FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

A proposal came from the senate floor concerning the deselection of books and was referred to the Library Committee of the senate for review and consideration.

Meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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MINUTES READ:

Donna Donathan
Faculty Senate President

A. Michael Perry
Interim University President