

Stephen F. Austin State University

**Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
May 13, 1998 Meeting #276**

Approved, October 14, 1998

Faculty Senate meeting #276 was called to order by Chair Jimmi Rushing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIR RUSHING

Chair Rushing thanked the departing senators for their service: Dan Beaty, Music; James Howard, Economics & Finance; Janie Kenner, Human Sciences; Jean Loving, Counseling & Special Education; Robert Stewart, Biology; Martha Sullivan, Criminal Justice; J. Mark Thompson, Music; and Bonnie Todd, Modern Languages.

Stephen Josephsen, Elementary Education, Brian Oswald, Forestry, and Joseph Devine, History, are ending replacement terms and are coming back as newly elected senators.

Rushing recognized the new senators on this coming year's Faculty Senate: Barbara Heard-Mueller, Social Work; Mitzi Perritt, Human Sciences; Betty Alford, Secondary Education; Robert Mann, Music; Marielon Ratliff, Music; Donice McCune, Mathematics; Tina Oswald, Library; and Arthur Sementelli, Political Science & Geography.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chair Rushing asked the Senate for further nominations to the offices of chair-elect, secretary, and treasurer. None were made and ballots for each appropriate office were distributed. The Senate voted for the new officers. The following will serve as officers for the Faculty Senate for 1998-1999:

Chair-Elect Mark Simmons
Secretary Kandy Stahl
Treasurer Florence Elliott-Howard.

Senator Brian Oswald has agreed to be parliamentarian for the next year. This position is appointed by the Chair.

Chair Rushing also welcomed during the summer one or two issues from the senators of possible items to address in the Fall.

A motion was made for the Executive Committee to act for the Senate on any business during the summer that may come up. The motion was seconded and passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Senator Donice McCune asked when the 1998-1999 contracts would be ready. Dr. Ashley replied that they should be ready in the next couple of weeks.

Senator Marielon Ratliff announced that the new Music Building would be ready the first week of June, and they are working on a \$2 million endowment fund for the new Music Building. Anyone can participate by buying seats in the new concert hall from \$1,000 down to \$300.

Chair Rushing reminded everyone that next year is the 75th anniversary and if anyone has any suggestions or ideas for programs or activities that the Faculty Senate might sponsor, please send them to her.

Senator Joe Devine moved that the meeting be adjourned; Senator Sementelli seconded the motion. The motion was carried; the meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Sherry Williford
Secretary