FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
April 10, 2008

The Faculty Senate of the University of North Alabama met April 10, 2008 in the Faculty/Staff Commons of the University Center at 3:30 p.m.

President Turner called the meeting to order and recognized the following proxies:
Crescente Figueroa for Senator Gaunder from Chemistry/Industrial Hygiene,
Craig Robertson for Senator Takeuchi from Sociology, and
Alex Aguado for Senator Rieff from History/Political Science.

Senator Richardson moved the adoption of the agenda. Senator Statom seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Senator Flowers moved the approval of the March 13, 2008 minutes. Senator Adler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President Cale and Vice-President Warren had no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Committee Reports will be given later in the meeting.

B. Shared Governance Committee Reports: Senator Adams reported from the Infrastructure Committee that the soccer field planned for the East Campus had be moved to be combined with the football practice field to be relocated north of Flowers Hall and be covered in an artificial surface. It will also be available for intramural use as well. He also reported that Coby Hall will house admissions and will no longer be available for scheduling for events. Willingham Hall renovations are on target and the building will reopen in the fall.

C. Senator Adams moved that the Faculty Affairs Committee be charged with including language in the promotion as that used with tenure and explore developing an assessment tool for data collection on the tenure/promotion process. Senator Adler seconded. The motion passed 19-3-11. Senator Richardson moved to consider the Faculty Affairs
Recommendation on Promotion from February 21 as a recommendation and vote on it next month. Senator Statom seconded. The motion passed.

D. A Standing Faculty Review Committee for Promotion Portfolio Review was discussed. Issues such as where in the promotion process should the Committee act were raised. It was recommended that the creation of procedures for the work of the Committee be developed in the senate. Senator Robinson moved that an ad Hoc Committee of faculty senate members be set up to study this issue. Senator Statom seconded. The motion passed.

E. The ad Hoc Committee on Early Scholars presented the answers to the questions they were presented. Questions concerning university advisement and oversight were raised.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sandy Loew, Larry Adams and Phil Robinson were elected to the Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of senate officers for the coming year.

ADDITIONAL ISSUES:

SGA President Bishop Alexander presented a letter requesting the revision of the honor cord policy. Senator Flowers moved that the issue be added next month as new business. Senator Statom seconded. The motion passed.

President Turner requested that anyone interested in a Higher Education Partnership Luncheon email him and give input concerning a good date.

Senator Richardson moved the meeting be adjourned. Senator Roden seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.