

HIGHLIGHTS

Faculty Senate Meeting

December 4, 2003

I. Minutes of the November 7, 2003 Faculty Senate Meeting approved with correction of wording to SR04-01 to include the words "upper division" in final paragraph.

II. Remarks from Chancellor Mark Emmert * a verbatim accounting of Chancellor Emmert*s remarks are included in the complete text of the Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes found on the Faculty Senate website under "Minutes".

Topics included:

- A. Bringing into alignment LSU*s human and financial and physical resources with it*s enrollment including the mix of undergraduate and graduate enrollments.
- B. Freshman applications up 35 or 36%; pool of students is academically stronger; regionally more diverse (35% non-resident applicant pool compared to 30% last year); ended up with about 20% non-resident and 80% resident applicants.
- C. University needing a more geographically diverse set of students.
- D. Residency status and TOPS scholarships; tuition policy issue.
- E. Brainstorming ideas on how to keep LSU graduates working in-state after graduation.
- F. PM-35.
- G. Gubernatorial transition.
- H. Foundation of Excellence Program and emphasis of certain areas within the university.
- I. Fielded multiple questions and comments from Senators.

III. Report from President Carruth McGehee

- A. Faculty Council count and Faculty Senate representation for next Spring*s election.

B. Mail ballot on the Constitutional Amendment (SR 04-03) will be sent out the first day of classes in the Spring.

C. Additional information on the high drop rate at LSU is being sought.

D. Problems with/Matters of Blackboard at LSU.

E. Shared comments regarding Instructor Policy, Criteria for Promotion stated in

PS-36, and LSU System Standard CV format.

F. PM-35.

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IV. Introduction and Discussion of SR 04-05 Dean*s List and Chancellor*s Honor Roll

* presented by Committee on Admissions, Standards, and Honors (Karen Denby and Vince Wilson).