Highlights

1. Report from Professor Ken Carpenter, Faculty Athletics Representative of the Athletic Council. Topics included: Ten-year NCAA accreditation (which went fine in 2004); four-year survey of student interest in athletics; revisions to Board Regs; PS-110 (“LSU Athletic Council”) issued in 2004; new committee on student athlete matters; new NCAA admission standards; home team now responsible for misconduct of fans of either team; limit on number of exceptions granted to admissions standards; six-year graduation rate versus five-year graduation rate; 50 secondary violations of NCAA rules per year; no sport may cause a student to miss more than 20% of his or her classes. Senators’ asked him: Can grades be based on attendance? Why do we maintain the illusion that our athletes are amateurs, not pros?

2. Approval of minutes of meetings of January 19 and 24, 2005:

3. Faculty Senate Executive Committee elections.
   Senate President: Senator Daly elected.
   Senate Vice-President: Senator Crumbley elected.
   Senate Secretary: Senator Wilson elected.
   First Member-at-Large position of the FSEC: Senator Schiebout elected.
   Second Member-at-Large position of the FSEC: None of the remaining five candidates obtained a majority; a runoff election was planned for the next meeting (May 6).
   PM-35 was one of the topics addressed by each of the candidates.

4. Election of Professors Oxley, Thompson, and Ortner (Alternate) to Educational Policy Committee.

5. Election of Professors Day, Gurt, Strain, and Metcalf (Alternate) to Faculty Grievance Committee.


7. Election of Professors Buchanan, Catano, Colten, Randall Hall, Kuehny, Negulescu, and Pizer to Senate Committee on Committees.