

**FACULTY SENATE MEETING**  
**January 14, 2008**

*Special Called Meeting*

*Election of a USC Columbia Faculty member to the  
Presidential Candidate Search Committee*

Chair Robert Best called the meeting to order and summarized the purpose of the special called meeting. The charge of the Senators was to elect one Columbia Campus Faculty representative to serve on the Presidential Candidate Search Committee.

**The nominees (whose names were submitted in advance) were:**

Gordon Baylis (Psychology and Research & Health Sciences)

Duncan Buell (Computer Science & Engineering)

David Cowen (Geography)

Kim Creek (Pathology, Microbiology & Immunology)

Dianne Johnson (English)

Marlene Wilson (Pharmacology, Physiology & Neuroscience)

John Van Zee (Chemical Engineering)

Lynn Zoch (Journalism & Mass Communications)

Those wishing to advocate for the nominees were welcomed to do so. There were no additional nominees from the floor. Color-coded ballots were distributed, and the Senators were asked to write only one name on their ballots. Ballots were collected and counted by Laura Kane (Secretary of the Senate), and Rebekah Maxwell (Secretary-Elect of the Senate), with assistance from Jeanna Luker and Yvonne Dudley from the Faculty Senate Office.

Round One of the election resulted in no one person winning the majority votes. Therefore, a run-off election was held between Dianne Johnson and Marlene Wilson.

**The winner of the majority vote in the run-off election was Marlene Wilson.**

The meeting was adjourned.