FACULTY SENATE MEETING
APRIL 28, 1998

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - Thank you.

I. Correction and Approval of the Minutes.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - Are there any corrections to the minutes? Hearing none, I will order them approved as printed.

II. Reports of Officers.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - We've had the reports from officers at the General Faculty meeting.

III. Reports of Committees.

A. Faculty Steering Committee, Professor Sarah Wise, Secretary:

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - Any report from Senate Steering?

SECRETARY SARAH WISE - No report. The roster is circulating so make sure that you sign it.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - All right, be sure to sign the attendance sheet.

B. Grade Change Committee, Professor Richard Clodfelter:

PROFESSOR CLODFELTER - I present for your approval the grade changes which appear on pages 25-27 of the attachments.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - You've seen the report, are there any amendments? Hearing none, are you ready to vote? All those in favor signify by saying aye. Those opposed. Approved.

C. Curricula and Courses, Professor John Winberry, Chair:

PROFESSOR WINBERRY - The report of the committee can be found on pages 28-41. There is one addendum that I have also circulated to everybody—that is the deletion of BIOL 220. There is one change, on page 41, GEOL 600 Senior Seminar in Geology, at the end of the description “Not available for graduate credit.” should be added to that. I request that the report be approved.
CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - Are there any amendments? Hearing none, are you ready for the question?

PROFESSOR DAVID REMBERT - COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS - I just have a real quick question. In the music curriculum as presented, obviously they are deleting all the footnotes. This is just a comment for whoever the editor is for making the changes in the catalog. Since no footnotes are called for, the assumption is they are going to delete them out of the catalog. So there won’t be any reference to them except on page 35 where “Mathematical/Analytical Reasoning” is changed to “Numerical and Analytical Reasoning.” This is a very minor point. They are going to keep that paragraph the same. There is a footnote in that paragraph. You’ve got to delete that footnote.

PROFESSOR WINBERRY - The paragraph itself will be deleted. The basic reason is because it is repeating when it is already in the University General Education Requirements. The assumption is that Numerical and Analytical Reasoning will correlate with what is there. In other words, students will follow the same courses listed there.


D. Admissions Committee, Professor Jim Burns, Chair:

PROFESSOR BURNS - The Admissions Committee report is on page 42. The International Baccalaureate is recognized throughout the world as an academically challenging high school curriculum for university bound students. The program is similar to the College Board Advance Placement Program and that students may receive college credit for courses based upon appropriate scores on exams given at the end of the curriculum. Over 550 colleges and universities in the United States award credit for International Baccalaureate courses including Harvard, Princeton, Yale, University of Michigan and MIT. There are currently three high schools in South Carolina which offer the International Baccalaureate Program and other high schools in the state have indicated an interest in offering the program. What we are doing here is formalizing something that we have been doing for awhile. USC has been granting advanced standing credit for International Baccalaureate courses on a case by case basis for 15 years. In order to standardize the process of awarding credit for these courses, faculty members from our Colleges of Liberal Arts and Science and Mathematics reviewed course syllabi for all of the International Baccalaureate courses and have made recommendations on how to award credit for many of these courses. It was suggested then that we make note of the policy regarding the credit in our Undergraduate Bulletin as you see here on your attachment. We are formalizing something that we have been doing all along; therefore, we move the proposal.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - You have heard the motion. Are there any questions or comments or amendments? Hearing none, are you ready to vote? All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. Opposed. So ordered. Do you have anything to add, Mr. President?
PRESIDENT PALMS - Mr. Chairman, I would like to compliment the faculty for the work of the Blue Ribbon Committee, the Faculty Advisory Committee and the actions taken today which complement their diligence and responsibility.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - Thank you.

IV. Remarks for Good of the Order.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - Any remarks for Good of the Order?

PROFESSOR SHIRLEY KUIPER - BADM - I wanted to say this during the faculty meeting, but Dr. Palms was concluded the meeting so rapidly. As I came into the meeting I was talking to Dave Berube, and I learned that we have another SEC Champion that I don’t think has been recognized in this body, and that is the Debate Team took the SEC Championship.

V. Announcements.

SECRETARY SARAH WISE - The summer faculty meeting will be held June 30th at 3 o’clock in the Law School.

CHAIRMAN WEDLOCK - Any other announcements? Do I hear a motion to adjourn? Thank you. Have a good summer.

Meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.