Gaston College
Faculty Senate Meeting
Dallas Campus Room DBC 125, 3:30 PM
October 17, 2012

I. Call to Order
President Susan Whittemore called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes- Corrections noted and approved

III. Members Present:
- Mike Keller (present by proxy-SW)
- Angie Rudd, Information Technology
- Sherry Sherrill, Arts and Sciences
- Diane Hagens, Health Education, Secretary
- Mark Carver, Arts and Sciences
- Heather Bruch, Arts and Sciences
- Calvin Shaw, Criminal Justice, President-Elect
- Penny Brower, Office Administration
- Stephanie Osborne, Writing Center/Arts and Sciences
- Eric Miller, Arts and Sciences (proxy Mark Carver)
- Sharlene Smith, Information Technology
- Phonzie Childers, Health Education (proxy Diane Hagens)
- Thad Glankler, Engineering, Treasurer (proxy SW)
- Don Ammons, Vice President, Academic Affairs

Members not present:
- Tom Whitaker, Engineering and Industrial Technologies
- Kim Pennington, Health Education

IV. Report of the Treasurer- none. Susan asked Academic Affairs committee to look into what can and cannot be spent on.

V. Old Business-
   a. Faculty Work Load and Work Week Team- Susan requests senators to type up questions and email to her before the meeting that is scheduled on October 23.
   b. Veterans Day Celebration- please encourage everyone to come and attend. Flyer distributed.
   c. 50th Anniversary of Gaston College Celebration- Textures and Tones committee members are Alisha McCullen and Jason Story. Susan requested the Faculty Affairs committee to talk with them and see how Faculty Senate can be of help.

IV. Committee Reports- Sherry Sherrill reminded Susan that Faculty Awards is being moved up one month next year (April 4). Nominees need to be submitted by this November, deans to be notified by Sherry. Interviews will be conducted the last week of February. There were no other committee reports.
V. **New Business** - Susan and Staff Senate President Adele Earls are collaborating to see how we can work together. Susan asked for ideas. A joint workshop, wellness initiative, speaker presenting how to add humor to the workday, team building, etc. Calvin would look into firefighting team building.
Susan encourages everyone to go to the professional development on navigating the travel forms, which is offered on campus.
Mark reported that work is being done on the speaker system in the RCB.

VI. **Report of the President of the Faculty Senate**
Update on Achieving the Dream- Tuesday October 30, 2012. Representatives from Stanly Community College will be there. Please encourage all faculty to be there.

VI. **Announcements**
The next Board of Trustees meeting: Monday November 12, 2012 @ 4:00pm in the Myers Center Board Room. Calvin to attend
The next Faculty Senate meeting: Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 3:30, on Lincoln Campus, Cochrane Building

VII. **Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 4:05pm