Call to Order

Senator Osborne, Chair of the Faculty Senate, called the meeting to order at 3:34 P.M.

Members Present:

Dr. James Awbrey, Dr. Kris Beck, Dr. Mike Bender, Dr. Theresa Buchanan, President Max Burns, Dr. Ric Calhoun, Dr. Mark King, VPAA and Provost Jeff Knighton, Professor Rebecca Morgan, Dr. Andy Osborne, Dr. Steve Raynie, Dr. Lynn Rumfelt, Dr. LaRonda Sanders-Senu, Professor Mickie Weldon, Professor Jeff White

Members Absent:
Professor Beverly Eskridge, Professor Tony Pearson, Dr. Frank Winters

Quorum met? Yes/No

The Faculty Senate had a quorum.

Suspension of the Rules

Senator King made a motion to allow non-senators to speak. The motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from February 20, 2017 Meeting

Senator King made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting on February 20, 2017. The motion carried.

Committee Reports

Academic Assessment
No Report

Academic Judicial
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

Academic Policy
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

AARRFA
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.
Budget Advisory
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

Faculty Development
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

Faculty Welfare
The Faculty Welfare Committee met on March 1, 2017. The committee suggested the following changes to the Faculty Handbook:

A. New change made to 1.2.1.2:

‘May teach upper division classes only upon the approval of the Academic Unit Head, if no tenured or tenure-track faculty is qualified to teach the course, or if a tenured or tenure-track faculty who is qualified to teach the course is not willing to teach it.’

B. Changes made to Chapter 8 (Post-Tenure Review) for clarification purposes and to reflect concerns put forward at the last meeting of the Faculty Senate.

C. Changes to Appendix D approved at the December 7 meeting of Faculty Welfare were undone and Appendix D was returned to its original state to be addressed by next year’s committee.

D. Changes requested by Library Department to be addressed by next year’s committee.

General Education
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

GSC Statutes
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

Instructional Technology and eLearning
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

Library
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

Planning
The committee has not met since the last Faculty Senate Meeting.

New Business

1. Senator Rumfelt made a motion to postpone Faculty Senate review of all new business until the April 17, 2017 Faculty Senate Meeting. Senator Awbrey made a motion to amend Senator Rumfelt’s motion; the amended motion would postpone Faculty Senate
review of all items from the Faculty Welfare Committee, including changes to the Appendices of the Faculty Handbook and changes to Chapters 1 and 7-9 of the Faculty Handbook until the April 17th meeting, but proceed with review of all items from the Academic Policy Committee. Senator Rumfelt’s motion was accepted as amended

2. Proposals from the Academic Policy Committee

A. Senator Calhoun made a motion that the Proposal of the New Associate of Arts Degree Program in Psychology be accepted. The motion carried.

B. Senator King made a motion to accept the Proposal to Alter the Bachelor of Science Degree Program in Management and Administration. The motion carried.

C. Senator White made a motion to accept the Proposal to Alter the Bachelor of Arts Degree Program in English. The motion carried.

D. Senator Rumfelt made the motion to accept the Proposal to Alter MUSC 2510: Introduction to Music Technology. The motion carried.

E. Senator King made a motion to Alter MUSC 2511: Basics of Studio Recordings. The motion carried.

Announcements
Senator Raynie addressed questions about the changes to English and Math Learning Support Courses

Remarks
VPAA and Provost Jeff Knighton and President Max Burns both made remarks.

Adjournment
Senator Calhoun made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned by Chair Osborne at 4:39 P.M.

Minutes recorded by Senator LaRonda Sanders-Senu