1. Professor Roy S. Nutter, Jr., Faculty Senate Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:15 PM in Assembly Rooms A/B, NRCCE.

Members Present:
Badzek, L.  Hanson, R.  Malanga, C.  Perry, J.  Sypolt, L.
Bilgesu, H.  Hill, R.  Mays, M.  Petronis, J.  Urbanski, J.
Brady, L.  Hissom, J.  McCormick, R.  Riley, W.  Ward, B.
Branch, D.  Hornak, L.  Mediarmid, M.  Ruscello, D.  Ward, H.
Brown, J.  Howell, R.  McFadden, D.  Scea, P.  Wasson, N.
Bruner, J.  Iskander, W.  McGrath, J.  Sherwood, L.  Wenger, S.
Cerceone, J.  Johnson, D.  Muchant, D.  Simmons, G.  Wilkinson, C.
Collins, A.  Jones, R.  Nadler, S.  Smith, L.  Woloshuk, J.
Davis, L.  Kuhlman, J.  Nelson, C.  Stack, S.  Woodrum, D.
Dixon, S.  Larrabee, J.  Nutter, R.  Stamatakis, M.  Yelton, D.
Elmore, S.  Lastinger, M.  Orndorff, J.  Stanley, C.  
Famouri, P.  Loudin, B.  Pearson, T.  Strife, M.

Members Absent:
Baylis, C.  Davis, T.  Hoey, J.  Lewis, R.  Sencindiver, J.
Bergner, G.  Dedhia, H.  Hogan, T.  McGinley, P.  Stanton, B.
Bonanno, S.  Elfenbein, A.  Juckett, G.  Miles, T.  Trajkovski, G.
Bowen, E.  Gebremedhin, T.  Karther, A.  Morgan, D.  Turton, R.
Bull, L.  Gibson, L.  Keyes, G.  Nuth, C.  VanCamp, R.
Clark, K.  Graber, G.  Killefer, J.  Palmer, J.  Wilcox, D.
Cohen, S.  Graebner, J.  Kolar, M.  Raynes, R.  Wilcox, G.
Cooper, B.  Helmondollar, R.  Krainak, P.  Reece, W.  Williams, J.
Wright, F.

2. Joseph Fisher, Facilities and Services, gave a presentation about parking. He said the parking office has been working on a plan for six months, and he wanted to bring it before the Faculty Senate. He reviewed the construction plans and timetable and distributed a “Flat Rate Model.” He said faculty was in favor of the graduated fee structure. Mr. Fisher responded to questions and concerns.

3. It was moved to approve the minutes from the October 8, 2001, meeting with the following correction: replace “Collins” with “Karther” in the first and second paragraphs of item 7. The motion was duly seconded. Motion carried.

4. Professor Jones moved to approve the following Curriculum Committee reports, and it was duly seconded:

New Courses and Course Changes presented in Annex I. Motion carried.

Capstone Report presented in Annex II. Motion carried.
Certificate for Disability Studies presented in Annex III. Professor Jones said the department submitted an addendum which includes two courses – SPED 350 and 303 to be added to the program. The chair said that the addendum will have to be submitted as an annex, but the program can be approved without it. Motion carried.

Revision of Math BA/BS Program presented in Annex IV. Motion carried.

IMSE Curriculum Revision presented in Annex V. Motion carried.

M.S. Agricultural Name Change presented in Annex VI. Motion carried.

The Alteration Report was presented for information.

5. Professor Hornak moved to approve the Liberal Studies Committee Report presented in Annex VIII. It was duly seconded. Motion carried.

6. Professor Tom Long, Advisory Council of Faculty Representative, gave the ACF report. He said at the last meeting, the Council met at Concord College to develop a faculty report. This report will be submitted to the Higher Education Policy Commission.

7. Professor Long asked faculty to inform him of any special achievements, research, scholarships, etc., they have done so he can relay it to the Policy Commission so they will have a better understanding that faculty are an important part of higher education. Professor Long asked the faculty to review the minutes they received, and let him know if there is anything else they would like the Policy Commission to be made aware of.

8. Professor Long said he is the representative for the retirement committee, and it is in the process of handling 401, 403 and 457 RA’s. He said the consultants are making sure all the bases are covered and the outcome will be to have more flexibility for investing money.

9. Professor Nadler said he received an e-mail from the chair that discusses the new academic freedom policy. He said the deadline for comments was October 31, 2001. Professor Nadler read the previous and revised academic freedom policies, and he suggested a meeting should be held to discuss them.

Professor Nadler provided handouts of the policies.

Associate Provost C.B. Wilson said the language concerning the academic freedom policy discussed in Series 9, which replaced Policy Bulletin 36, is identical to the previous 1997 version.

Associate Provost Wilson discussed the following differences between Series 9 and Series 36:
The primary difference between the two versions is listed in the sections of the document where decisions are required; in Series 36, it refers to the “president or designee,” and in Series 9, it refers to the “institution.” It will now be up to the individual boards to determine whether they will make decisions or allow the president or designee to make decisions.

A fair amount of language is in the new document that says what Series 36 was in the director system.

The new Series 9 identifies a new group of term faculty, which is restricted to community and technical colleges.

Series 9 says that WVU is now operating with a grievance procedure State Code 296A instead of State Code 1829.

Associate Provost Wilson said if faculty would like to phone or e-mail him, he can explain other differences between the two versions, but basically, he said WVU is still operating under the same rules.

10. New Business

Professor Bruner asked about the status of the constitution. The chair said a subcommittee is reviewing the revisions to the constitution, and it should be on the Senate Executive Committee agenda for discussion at the November 26th meeting.

Professor Branch spoke with Paul Martinelli, staff representative, who said salary plans are being validated by the Board of Governors. Professor Branch asked if the discussions are correct concerning a 3-year 2% performance rate schedule. The chair said he was on the Salary Task Force, and a question was raised if the administration will live under the same 2% guidelines. Professor Branch asked if administration will be evaluated for merit the same as faculty. The chair said this issue will be discussed at the next meeting. Associate Provost C.B. Wilson said there has not been any decisions of a guaranteed 2% merit pool. He said this year’s salary pool was a 2% pool, but there has not been any discussions about subsequent years in the context of how many dollars will be available.

11. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. to reconvene at 3:15 on December 10, 2001.

Mary Strife
Faculty Secretary