## MINUTES 2013-2014 Faculty Senate Meeting September 12, 2013 Heth Hall Room 014

**Members present:** Suzanne Ament, Kevin Ayers, Ian Barland, Roann Barris, Vickie Bierman, Jayne Bucy, James Collier, Jason Davis, Seife Dendir, Eric Du Plessis, Lori Elis, Mary Ferrari, Jake Fox, Kim Gainer, Kurt Gingrich, Nadine Hartig, Vince Hazleton, Rhett Herman, Christine Hermann, Rodrigo Hernandez, Bill Hrezo, Tommy Iafrate, Laura Jacobsen, Emmanuel John, Prahlad Kasturi, Abhay Kaushik, Jerry Kopf, Mary LaLone, Elizabeth Lanter, Laura LaRue, Maxwell Stockton, Douglas Mitchell, James Newman, Laura Newsome, Monica Pazmino, Mashooq Salehin, Rob Sanderl, Sandra Schneider, Susan Schoppelrey, Neil Sigmon, Kenneth Smith, Andrea Stanaland, Julie Temple, Paul Thomas, John Tso (for Skip Watts), Jennifer Whicker

## Members absent: Margaret Hrezo

Guest: Jim Burke (consultant, Performance Management Group)

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:31 p.m.
- II. The minutes of the April 25, 2013 meeting were approved as read.
- III. The Motion: Honors Academy Implementation Plan was removed from the table.
  - a. An amendment to the accompanying report, *Radford University Honors Academy: Implementation Plan and Budget Recommendations*, was proposed: to add the asterisked phrase "including all departments from the College of Science and Technology" to page 5. The Curriculum Committee accepted the amendment.
  - b. A further amendment to page 5 of the report was proposed: to spell out abbreviations on that page. The Curriculum Committee accepted the amendment.
  - c. A further amendment to the report was proposed: to change "maintain a GPA of 3.3" to "maintain a cumulative GPA" on page 3. The Curriculum Committee accepted the amendment.
  - d. An amendment to the motion itself was proposed: To change "The Faculty Senate recommends the implementation of the Honors Academy Implementation Plan as written" to "The Faculty Senate supports the academic program as outlined in the attached report." The amendment was approved.
  - e. The motion, as amended, was voted upon by written ballot, per request of a senator. The motion passed.
- IV. Dr. Jacobsen thanked the senators for their participation at the Faculty Senate retreat, at which there was a quorum; and she thanked Dr. Ferrari for providing refreshments for today's Faculty Senate meeting.
- V. Jim Burke, representative of the Performance Management Group at Virginia Commonwealth University, which has been hired by the Board of Visitors to examine leadership issues, spoke to the Senate about the group's activities and led an activity in which senators discussed current and desired characteristics of Radford University.
- VI. The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.