2000/2001 Academic Senate

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I. The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. and attendance was noted. Thirty-six Senators were present.

Ex Officio:

CASA Representatives:

resolution was presented to the Senate for a vote. There were three friendly amendments presented by Senators Huebner/Nuger, Roth, and Singh and approved for AS 1154. <u>The</u> <u>Senate then voted and passed AS 1154 as amended</u>.

Senator Roth, Chair Curriculum and Research presented *AS 1155, Policy Resolution on Foreign Languages Classes and General Education.* Senator Shifflett asked if this policy amounted to a blanket waiver, exempting all foreign language courses from the normal GE approval process. She was told that this was not the case. According to Senator Roth, the foreign language department has the perception that BOGS currently has a blanket policy of not approving foreign language courses for GE credit, and this policy is intended to make clear that such courses are eligible for GE. However, they must still meet all procedural and substantive requirements to be offered as GE courses. After many questions and debate, the resolution was presented to the Senate for a vote. <u>The Senate then voted and passed AS 1155</u>.

Senator Roth presented *AS 1156, Policy Recommendation on Freshman Seminars* (*MUSE*) and General Education. AS 1156 was initially presented as a Sense of the Senate Resolution. It was voted on and accepted to be a Policy Recommendation. One friendly amendment was presented by Senator Brent and approved for AS 1156. <u>The Senate then voted and passed 1156 as amended.</u>

- VI. Policy Committee Action Items in Rotation.
 - A. Organization and Government Committee None
 - B. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee None
 - C. University Library Board None
 - **D. Committee on Committee** None
 - E. Professional Standards None
 - F. Curriculum and Research None
- VII. Special Committee Reports None

VIII. New Business

Senator Roth brought up the Library Weeding Program which distributes lists of books to be discarded that have not been pre-screened by faculty and the departments. Senator Roth stated that the faculty should take a look at these books. The departments that want to look at these lists must ask the Library to pre-screen them. Faculty members need to let the Library know if they think the books shouldn't be discarded. According to Senator Roth, the lists are computer generated and not lists put together by any person. The computer puts together lists of books that are not being circulated. Members of the Library commented that there is a space issue.

IX. State of the University Announcements. Questions in rotation.

- A. Vice President for Administration
- **B**. Vice President for Student Affairs
- C. Associated Students President
- **D.** Statewide Academic Senate
- E. Provost
- **X.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:22 PM