

**Minutes of the  
General Faculty Meeting  
Tuesday, November 13, 2001  
Gaines Theater, 3 p.m.**

- I. Call to order: Faculty Senate President Siochi
- II. Senate Report to the General Faculty by President Siochi
- III. Certification of Graduates
  - A. The Graduates were unanimously Certified by the Faculty at CNU.
- IV. Resolution on Shared Governance
  - A. Motion made at the Fall 2001 General Faculty Meeting. 103 faculty were in attendance at the vote.

**GENERAL FACULTY RESOLUTION No. 2001-01**

**Whereas the CNU University Handbook provides that "Instructional faculty shall have the reasonable opportunity to participate in the formulation, development, review, and alteration of regulations and procedures affecting academics" (XVII.A.2.a); and**

**Whereas this section of the CNU University Handbook was not followed in the academic reorganization of the University in the summer of 2001 and the elimination of general distribution CNU Online classes in the fall of 2001; and**

**Whereas the current SACS criteria for accreditation state: "Educational activities of an institution include teaching, research, and public service. Planning and evaluation for these activities must be systemic, broad based, interrelated and appropriate to the institution"; and**

**Whereas shared governance is a necessary ingredient for a free and liberal university environment; and**

**Whereas the instructional faculty of Christopher Newport University is disenfranchised from our right and proper participation in matters affecting the academic life of our institution as stated in the resolution by the general faculty at the General Faculty Meeting on 11/01/00, therefore we**

**Resolve that it is essential for the administration and faculty together to be involved in governance of and long term planning for Christopher Newport University and that the faculty handbook be followed in matters concerning that shared governance, and we further**

**Resolve that the Executive Planning Committee and the Budget Advisory Committee for university planning be made functional as defined in the University Handbook (Sections XVII.C.5.g and XVII.C.5.h).**

For: 89 faculty

Against: 4 faculty

Abstentions: 1 faculty voted abstention, 9 faculty did not vote

**Motion Passes.**

V. Resolution on 'short term' curricular changes

A. Motion made at the Fall 2001 General Faculty Meeting. 101 faculty were in attendance at vote.

**GENERAL FACULTY RESOLUTION No. 2001-02**

**Faculty asserts that the curriculum and considerations of curricular change should be controlled by the faculty. We assert that proposals for change must be considered carefully and without short deadlines that can impede proper analysis. We therefore recommend that the short term curricular changes suggested by the Provost be folded into the longer term analysis of the curriculum that the faculty has begun.**

For: 88 faculty

Against: 3 faculty

Abstentions: 1 faculty voted abstention, 11 faculty did not vote

**Motion Passes.**

IX. Adjournment

The General Faculty were Adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Timothy R. Marshall  
Faculty Senate Secretary