Minutes of the February 28, 2008 meeting were amended by deleting the word ‘be’ from the last line of section 2 b. The amended minutes were approved.

1. The proposed handbook style sheets from the Documents and Governance Committee were reviewed. Mayfield suggested that where spacing was indicated that “spaces” be replaced by “inches” as this translates better between different fonts. With these changes the amended documents were accepted and it was agreed that the documents would be forwarded to Brenda Beahling and Jeff Sorenson (I.T.) for further comment. (T.C, J.M)

2. It was moved and seconded (J.M, D.V.) that these documents together with the minor edits policy recently approved by the senate be placed in the Policy Manual.

3. Discussion ensued on several minor issues:

   a. The issue came up of whether or not “directors” were eligible be senators. A check of the By-Laws indicated they were; which brought up the recollection that the recent letter to department chairs soliciting election of departmental senators indicated they were not. It was agreed, without vote, to ask Sherry for a copy of the letter to review.

   b. The issue was raised as to whether directors should be eligible to be Senators. After discussion the group consensus was to leave the By-Laws unchanged.

   c. Max raised two issues that came up in the recent election. In one, a write-in candidate received more votes than a candidate on the ballot. All agreed that there was no problem with this. Otherwise there would be no point in allowing write-ins. The second issue was in the LAS College where no-one was running for one of the at-large seats. There were six write-in’s, each of whom received a single vote. Max called each to determine whether they were willing to serve. Five said no. The sixth may agree. If so, the question is, is this a reasonable way to be elected? Following discussion, and a look at the By-Laws, the consensus was that one vote does constitute a valid election. The issue of what to do if more than one write-in agreed to serve was not resolved. The By-Laws do not provide a mechanism for filling empty seats except by election or [possibly] appointment by the President of the Faculty Senate.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM
Submitted by John Mayfield