I. Call to Order  
   a. James Sterrett PharmD, Senate Secretary  
   b. Quorum not met  

II. Approval of June, July and August Minutes delayed until next meeting or will be handled via electronic vote.  

III. Presidents Report – since Angie Mund is at a conference. She relayed that she would email out report to Senate.  

IV. Old Business- floor is turned over to the President-elect, Adam Smolka.  
   a. Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) issue – all colleges were given a state mandated priority to provide state employees with COLA of 3.25 percent. COM faculty who have dual income streams did get the 3.25% via State income stream but had the equivalent percent reduced other income stream such as MUHA or Veteran’s Hospital. Bottom line for some employees was a COLA increase in pay while others did not get a net increase. This inequity is a concern. As a result, COM senators met with Dean DuBois about 6 weeks ago. Not yet resolved but is an ongoing issue.  
   b. Section 6.05 of Faculty Handbook (5.05 in new version) Post tenure review (PTR): there is ongoing discussion with the Interim Provost Saladin. Will plan to bring any new proposed wording to the Senate for discussion.  

V. New Business  
   a. Post and Courier article regarding MUSC Board of Trustees (BOT): The Senate Executive Committee formally met early after the article was published and decided to get input from the faculty and then to draft a statement. Since then the BOT issued a statement regarding an internal investigation into the policies and Gov. Haley announced there would be a proper investigation from the State perspective. President Cole posted a statement that an internal investigation clarification. There was discussion about what has happened so far and what the Faculty Senate response should say at this point. It is agreed that when the BOT does issue a statement from their investigation, then the Faculty Senate will assess and provide comment if warranted.  
   b. Post and Courier article regarding Honor Council violation hearing: one senator reported that the Honor Council met and followed policy and procedure appropriately. The accused had a right to appeal to the Dean and they did. The senator feels that the Dean acted objectively. The senator feels that this situation is a non-issue. Discussion was had and no motion for any action was given.
c. Discussion was had regarding a 5 star provider quality survey being sent out to patients. Clarification was given that this is not a “score-card” to impact salary reimbursement. There was added concern that this is a process issue. The person sending it out may have felt that this was sufficiently vetted before initiation while in fact there is a huge chasm between the administration and faculty.

VI. Committee and Unit Reports
a. Units
i. College of Dental Medicine: nothing to report
ii. College of Health Professions: College is celebrating 50th anniversary and will be having a series of lectures coming up and an open house on September 31st. College will be sending out campus wide
iii. College of Medicine: Basic Science: have on the calendar a meeting between the COM senators and Dean DuBois on Sept 21.
iv. College of Medicine: Clinical Science: nothing else to report
v. College of Nursing: just had College-wide retreat
vi. College of Pharmacy: nothing to report
vii. Library Science and Informatics: nothing to report
b. Committees
i. Communication and Education: Latecia Abraham reported that on Friday C&E Committee hosted a faculty Tenure and Promotion Workshop and it went very well.
ii. Faculty and Institutional Relations – Kristi Helke reported that the committee has been reviewing Interim Provost Saladin’s latest PTR revision and the Committee will be focus its next hour on reviewing the revision and providing comment back to the Senate and Executive Committee. The next meeting will be on the first Wed in Oct.
   1. There was discussion about the Faculty Senate and the role it plays in both suggesting and approving changes to the faculty handbook.
iii. Governance: Martina Mueller reported the faculty senate elections are currently underway and will be open until Thursday at midnight. Current senators will serve until the October faculty senate meeting when new and returning senators will take over.
iv. Institutional Advancement: met this morning and will continue to work on new Ombudsman search

VII. Adjourn at 8:54am