The meeting was called to order by the President at 7:50 AM in Gazes Auditorium.

**Membership Roster:**

| College of Medicine, Basic Sciences:         | Present:      | Joan Cunningham, Eleanor Spicer, Carola Neumann, Michael Wargovich, Samar Hammad, Chris Davies, Jennifer Isaacs, Steven Rosenzweig (Alt) |
|                                             | Excused:      |                                                           |
|                                             | Absent:       |                                                           |
| College of Medicine, Clinical Sciences:     | Present:      | Susan Ackerman, Arabinda Das, Ashli Sheidow, Deborah Bowby, Ira Willner, John Freedy, Sarah Book, Therese Killeen, Daniel Steinberg, Jacobo Mintzer, Nikolaos Papamitsakis, Cynthia Welsh, Omar Moussa, Neal Chrisiansen, Maria Gibson, Vincent Damm (Alt), Cheryl Lynch (Alt) |
|                                             | Excused:      | Nicholas Koch, Peter Kalivas                                |
|                                             | Absent:       | David Koch, Dieter Haemmerich, James Madory, Valerian Fernandes, Aquilla Turk, Bill Conway, Lancer Scott, Raymond Turner, Shaun Nguyen, Simon Watson, Thomas Pope, Anouk Grubaugh, Ellen Riemer, |
| College of Dental Medicine:                 | Present:      | Joseph Thompson, Gabriel Ingraham, Angela, Chi             |
|                                             | Excused:      | Joe Krayer, Mary Leathers                                  |
|                                             | Absent:       | Joe Krayer, Mary Leathers                                  |
| College of Health Professions:             | Present:      | Charles Ellis, Hazel Breland, Paul Jacques, Del Schutte, Dusti Annan-Coultas, Tony Chipas |
|                                             | Excused:      | David Morrisette (Alt)                                     |
|                                             | Absent:       | Heather Bonilha                                             |
| Library Science and Informatics:           | Present:      | Geoff Freeman, Mary Mauldin, Brooke Fox                    |
|                                             | Excused:      | Laura Cousineau (Alt), Candace Moorer(Alt)                 |
|                                             | Absent:       | Jennifer Welch                                             |
College of Nursing:  
**Present:** Carol McDougall, Sharon Bond, Martina Mueller (Alt)  
**Excused:** AnnaMarie Donato  
**Absent:** Ruth Stockdell, Charlene Pope (Alt)

College of Pharmacy:  
**Present:** Roger White, Shannon Drayton  
**Excused:**  
**Absent:** Amy Thompson

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

September minutes were not discussed.

**MEETING PROCEEDINGS**

I. Business:

**New Senate Welcome: Dr. Raymond Greenberg**

Dr. Greenberg started off by thanking the Faculty Senate and Walter Limehouse for serving on the Senate. Updates: Finance—Audits from last year are coming to completion. The Hospital is two months into the new fiscal year and is strong. The University is on track, despite the 4% budget cut earlier this year. The University is positive they will be in the plus. Education Accreditation: CON received theirs; COP’s visit will happen in the spring; COM is in the process of its accreditation. Research received its first wave of Stimulus money ($28 million). Dr. Greenberg thanked everyone who submitted proposals. Research is working with SCRA to open a Research Incubator. On the Clinical side, Ashley River Tower is maxed out with 609 patients. The 7th floor currently hosts offices but will be converted into more bed space (40 beds). Currently there is a project between ALL Charleston Hospitals to link all hospital ER records. All the hospitals agree it is a good idea it will just take some time to set this up. Hopefully, Summerville and MUSC will be connected by next year. If anyone has any questions or comments please email Dr. Greenberg.

**Q&A with Dr. Greenberg:**

J. Cunningham: Sounds hopeful that MUSC is turning the financial corner. She requested that the Faculty Senate should have a more specific role in strategic planning and to consult the Senate first before plans are made. Dr. Greenberg was positive but not completely hopeful regarding state funding. MUSC did, however, receive $12.5 million in stimulus money.

J. Mintzer: Suggested that Administration get more Senators involved in already existing structures. Dr. Greenberg explained that the default senator that is most utilized is the President of Faculty Senate. So it would ultimately be up to the president to decide who to appoint to various committees or structures. He feels that it is important to balance the time constraints placed on the senators. J. Mintzer pointed out that it takes more time and work for the senators to come in after a decision has already been made. Thus, reiterating that it is important to include the Faculty Senate in the decision making process. W. Limehouse noted that the senate already has representation on most university committees.
Faculty Senate Orientation:

- Senate meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month.
- Meeting begins at 7:45 am and ends around 9 am.
- Meetings are held in 125 Gazes Auditorium
- Senator Terms are for 2 years
  - FS passed an exception for Susan Ackerman
- Responsibilities are to:
  - Attend Meetings, represent and report back to constituents, support Faculty Senate activities, review handbook, and to serve on Senate and University committees.
- Senate Leadership consists of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Executive Committee
  - Committee Chairs are a part of the Executive Committee
- Electoral groups are formed by each college and the Department of Library Sciences and Informatics.
- Each Senator can vote. An alternate representing an absent senator can also vote.
  - Senate can vote via email if necessary.
- Website: www.musc.edu/facsen
  - The handbook is available (2007 Version with recent changes added to Appendix A).

Committee Updates:

Governance: Senate Membership & Voter turnout

Joan Cunningham reported that CODM needs 3 seats filled, CHP needs 2 alternates, COM—BS needs 1 alternate, COM—CS has 2 ties for senators and needs to determine who will be the senator and who will be the alternate, CON—WAY TO GO…every position is filled, COP needs 1 senator and 2 alternates, and the DLSI needs 1 alternate. Please email J. Cunningham as soon as these positions are filled. Voter turnout was 12.4% of the faculty. The Faculty Senate needs to do a better job in communicating the importance of the Faculty Senate to other faculty members.

Elections for Officers:

M. Wargovich commented that senators would like to nominate people at today’s meeting and then have a week to vote officially (to allow people time to look at nominees). E. Spicer suggested that if there were more time the nominees could write a little blurb about themselves. The motion was passed to postpone elections for two weeks. This will allow nominees to present their platforms and the vote will be taken via email. W. Limehouse asked that the nominees have a statement prepared in one week and voting in two. This will allow the new officers to be elected before the next Executive Committee meeting.

Nominations:

President:

- Tommy Pope—accepted nomination
- Chris Davies—accepted nomination
- Mary Mauldin—declined nomination
Vice President:

- Mary Mauldin—accepted nomination
- Eleanor Spicer—accepted nomination
- Ira Willner—declined nomination
- Joan Cunningham—declined nomination
- Sarah Book—declined nomination
- Paul Jacques—declined nomination

Secretary:

- Sharon Bond—accepted nomination
- Susan Ackerman—declined nomination
- Ashli Sheidow—declined nomination

II. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 AM

Next meeting: 7:45 AM, Tuesday, November 10th 2009. Room 125,Gazes Auditorium.
Respectfully Submitted by:
Edie Hering