

*University of West Georgia
General Faculty Meeting
Campus Center Ballroom
Friday, April 27, 2007
Approved August 13, 2007*

- 1) ***Call to Order and Opening Remarks:*** Acting President Thomas J. Hynes, Jr. called the meeting to order at 11.08 am. Dr. Hynes welcomed all faculty and staff.
- 2) ***Approval of Minutes:*** A motion to approve the minutes of the August 9, 2006 meeting was made and seconded, and was approved unanimously.
- 3) ***Recognition of Retirees:*** Dr. Hynes asked them to stand and be recognized.
- 4) ***Faculty and Staff Service Awards:*** The presentations were done by Dr.(s) Tara Singer and Michael Crafton. The awardees received their pins from Dr. Hynes. The 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 40 year awards were handed out in succession. All were recognized with a resounding round of applause.
- 5) ***Election of Officers:*** Dr. Ron Reigner was elected to General Faculty Executive Secretary. Prof. Clark was elected Parliamentarian.
- 6) ***Vice Presidents Remarks:*** Dr M. Crafton started off by dimming the lights and presented a slide show of the Goo Goo Girls and their successful concert. Then he gave out the awards to the “Mentors” of the “Big Night Celebration.” Then the Carnegie foundation “Professor of the year” award was given to Dr. Andrew Levitt. Dr. Sharmistha Basu-Dutt is the nominee for the next year. Then Dr. F. Khan talked about the centennial lectures and its organization. Everyone who gave a lecture was given a “Plaque” and individually recognized. Then Dr. Crafton talked about the accomplishments of the UWG family.
It is available at: <http://www.westga.edu/~mcrafton/accomplishments>. The individuals mentioned and recognized came to stage and talked about their work. Dr. Crafton talked about the Ph.D program in Psychology starting in fall 2007. He discussed the “Vision Thing” which encompassed faculty governance, communication, budgets etc. He concluded by quoting from Dante, saying “Love is the answer.”
- 7) ***Acting President Dr. Hynes Closing Remarks:*** He talked about the uncertainties facing the institution in the future, the strengths and weaknesses. He applauded and praised the faculty and staff at UWG, and wished all a great summer and a very good year.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12.15 pm

Respectfully Submitted
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