Meeting Minutes Faculty Senate Rules Committee January 13, 2012; Room 212 Ed-Annex

Members Present: John Ponder Chair Margaret Mitchell, Lisa Connell, Shelly Crager, Ron Best, Linda Haynes, Jane Simpson, Ravic Ringlaben, Andrea Stanfield

John Ponder brought the meeting to order.

1. Reviewed and Approved December 2, 2011 meeting minutes

2. Discussion/Feedback on items sent by the Faculty Senate

a. Function of the UWG Senate:

Open dialog in regards to restructure the Faculty Senate to a University Senate that would include faculty and staff representation.

Committee members feel a Faculty Senate is crucial to represent the faculty. Suggestions include: Committee membership could be more inclusive of staff, a body that would address staff issues.

Recommendations: The purpose of this request was not made clear, so members will take to individual units for dialog with faculty and staff. Will be discussed at the next executive meeting and John and Margaret will ask for more information. Will be on the next Rules Committee agenda.

b. What does/does not require a vote of the Faculty Senate with regard to changes to Academics?

Open dialog in regards to what constitutes a substantive change. Recommendations include: Examining problems within the current system in regards to informative items and business items. Substantive changes are those changes across units;, i.e. changing a prerequisite that impacts another discipline work hours would need a Faculty Senate Vote.

3. Old business

a. SACS: Margaret will tidy up SACS documents for submission.

b. . Graduate Programs Committee

a. Chris Huff assigned the Rules Committee to plan a process to select student representatives on the Graduate Program Committee. Recommendation approved (attached)

4. New business

a. Title IX coordinator request faculty representation to help

5. Adjourn

Next meeting February 10, 2012 Minutes prepared by Shelly Crager