Senators Present: Dr. Thomas Cassidy, Prof. Avery Daniels, Dr. Omari Dyson, Dr. Legun Emmanwori, Dr. Janice Hawes, Dr. Nasrollah Hamidi, Dr. Jean Michelet Jean-Michel, Prof. Carlana Kohn-Davis, Dr. Samuel Littlejohn, Dr. Bonita Manson, Dr. Linda McIntyre, Dr. Muhammad Mustafa, Dr. Crystal Nixon, Dr. Bobbie Perdue, Dr. Shafiqua Rahman, Dr. Jutta Scott, Dr. Daniel Smith, Dr. Nikunja Swain, Dr. Larry Watson, Dr. William Whitaker, Dr. Reginald Williams

Call to Order:
Faculty Senate (henceforth FS) President Cassidy called the meeting to order at 3:47 P.M., at which time a quorum was declared.

Adoption of the Agenda:
Senator Dyson made the motion to adopt the agenda as amended; Senator Mustafa seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes:
Senator Williams made the motion to approve the minutes as amended; Senator Mustafa seconded. Vote: unanimously approved.

Treasurer’s Report:
A copy of the treasurer’s report was provided by Dr. Crystal Nixon, treasurer. It showed cash on hand in the amount of $2351.95 as of February 4, 2014.

Report of Committees:

Executive Committee—VP Dyson reported on the following:
   • FS Executive Committee’s meeting with President Elzey, where the following was discussed:
      o $4.4 million deficit
      o Record number (3,000) of applicants for Fall 2014
      o Faculty role as it relates to enrollment
      o Faculty commitment to University in light of federal indictments, enrollment, and student apathy
   • Faculty Luncheon
      o Thursday, February 13, 2014 from 11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. at Seafood Academy
      o What is the faculty’s vision? One of the topics to be discussed

Membership Advisory Committee—No report at this time.

Elections Committee—No report at this time.

Educational Policies Council—No report at this time.

Planning and Projects Committee—No report at this time.

Educational Facilities Committee—No report at this time.
**Graduate Studies Council**—No report at this time.

**Welfare Committee**—No report at this time.

**President’s Report**—FS President Cassidy reported on:
- Campus safety—in light of student’s death—things we can do to make campus a safe environment; suggestions include:
  - Installing additional video cameras and call boxes across the campus
  - Reviewing safety process/procedures and ensuring they are followed
  - Creating safe zones
  - Sending alerts in a more timely manner

The FS Welfare Sub-Committee will convene a meeting to discuss safety issues on campus. This committee will also develop a statement to present to the administration.

- Faculty Handbook
  - Committee meeting scheduled for February 5, 2014
  - Timeline to present to the Board of Trustees (henceforth BOT) has been changed from June 2014 to April 2014
  - Called meetings by policy bodies will be necessary in order to have the Handbook approved by the April 2014 deadline

- Faculty Luncheon—Senator McIntyre provided an update on the luncheon:
  - Thursday, February 13, 2014 from 11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. at Seafood Academy
  - Ad hoc committee members—Senators Cassidy, Fields, Hamidi, McIntyre, and Perdue
  - Agenda is currently in draft form but will include critical presentations on topics such as shared governance, promotion and tenure, 21st century leadership, academic values, research, faculty roles; as well as thought force break-out sessions on shared governance and the vision/mission statement. The speakers will tentatively include Dr. Linda McIntyre, SCSU Associate Professor; Dr. Larry Watson, SCSU Professor; Dr. Evelyn Fields, SCSU Department Chair; Dr. James Henderson, AAUP President; Dr. Lamin Drammeh, SCSU 1890 Sr. Research Director; Dr. Bobbie Perdue, SCSU Professor; and Dr. Harry Singleton, Benedict College Professor.

**New Business**—FS President Cassidy:
- Provided a draft statement to be presented to the BOT Academic Affairs Sub-Committee. The statement outlined urgent faculty concerns, such as campus safety; integrity of the University’s intellectual capital (i.e., faculty working conditions and raises, scholarships for students, University structure); retention/graduation rates; student enrollment; and shared governance.
- Reported on the Provost Selection Committee. Representatives from the FS were submitted by FS President Cassidy to President Elzey to be on this committee; however, none of the names submitted were selected to be part of the committee.

**Announcements**—The Faculty Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, February 13, 2014 from 11:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. at Seafood Academy

**Adjournment**—The meeting adjourned at 5:20 P.M.