

**COUNCIL ON STAFF AFFAIRS**  
**Minutes of Tuesday, March 8, 2011**

**A. Call to order**

Chair Terence Sullivan called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM in the UC Cypress Room.

**B. Roll call:** All representatives must sign/initial the attendance roster to be counted as present.

Members present: Beverly Amiot, Sue Bailey, Denise Bogart, Ron Butler, Heidi Cox, Lisa Copeland, Bobby

Flowers, Carolyn Glock, Brian Haugabrook, Jessi(Haugabrook) (b) (6) (TT31Tf4.28420T

Bailey Science Center renovation begins, the retiree bricks will be moved and held in perpetuity until

Tribute is in place.

- B. Heidi Cox, Melinda Cutchens, and Gary Kuhlmann gave a presentation on the new Skilled Trade Internship Program with Plant Operations. The program will bring in students to

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i. Faculty Senate

The Academic Committee approved a number of new courses. The Institutional Planning Committee proposed revisions to the academic leave policy. No decision was made and discussion will continue. The Honors Program was approved to become Honors College. VSU Web Editorial Board had questions about incorporating social media such as FaceBook and other non institutional web programs. The Environmental Issues Committee presented the outdoor lighting policy changes and they were approved by Faculty Senate. VSU will no longer have a 30 year limitation policy on courses. Policies to limit courses will be left up to each department. A policy to restrict giving extra credit to students for completing SOIs was proposed. The issue has been remanded to the Educational Policies Committee for further discussion.

ii. President's Cabinet

Changes to HOPE are coming but it is still not known what those changes will be. The change in Dining Services contract, funding for Health Sciences, and the new Skilled Trade Internship program were discussed. Dr. Cragg's call center program target

Deadline for applications extended from March 11 to March 21. There was discussion about COSA sponsoring the cost of VSU employees taking their GEDs at \$19 per test and 5 exams per person. Questions were raised about the existence of policies regarding giving awards to take these exams, limits on the number of award recipients, fundraising to ensure funds are