Call to order:

A regular meeting of the Senate was held on September 20, 2005. Chair Clint Richards called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m., in the Moyer Student Union Lounge 201.


Single Meeting Proxies: Boyd Earl for Paul Aizley, Mary Warner for Margo Mink Colbert, Bill Robinson for Alan Schlottmann.

Absent: Rebecca Nathanson, Kristi Rodriguez, Jennifer Thompson

Opening remarks by Chair Richards, welcome to new senators from colleges of Education, Hotel and Health Science.

Guest Speaker Dr. Bea Babbitt, Interim Director of Academic Assessment shared information on the importance of assessment at all levels of the University. She is available to meet with depts. and colleges to discuss more efficient ways to make assessment an integral part of accreditation measurement.

Approval of minutes of August 23, 2005, was unanimous.

Action Items:

1) Recommendation on Domestic Partner Benefits
   Senator Mary Berkheiser commended Senator Peter Bayer for his almost single-handed work on this item. Item was moved to approve by Senator Daneshvary and seconded by Senator Berkheiser, approved by a show of hands.

2) Recommendation on College Bylaws Review
   Senator Phelan made a motion to pass and it was seconded by Senator Wilburn, and was approved by a majority show of hands.

Future Action Items for October 11, 2005:

1) Academic Freedom and Ethics Committee and Hearing Bylaws

2) Call for nominees for Special Hearing Panel

3) Academic Standards Committee’s Committee’s recommendation to limit undergraduate non-admitted students to a maximum of 6 credits per semester.

General Information Item:

   Senator McCarthy mentioned that Nv State College will share winter commencement with UNLV on December 19th at 4 pm in the TMC.

Meeting was moved and seconded; adjournment was at 1:30 pm.