I. The second meeting of the 2007 Faculty Senate was opened with prayer by VP Rachel Timmons.

II. Pres. Studer moved for approval of minutes from Senate meeting of September 10, 2007. The motion was seconded and the minutes were approved.

III. Reports from Committees, Departments or individuals:
President Studer reported on that day’s Provost Council meeting including reports on online evaluations and intellectual property issues. Sen. Alderson also reported progress on the School of Business’ Family Business Center and there was also a report of a grant for the School of Nursing towards a building.

IV. Faculty Handbook review:
The first three sections of the Handbook and some minor typos were corrected

V. Old Business: No old business

VI: New Business

1. The Senate discussed the issue of classroom technology, classroom assignments and faculty input into decision-making on these issues.

A motion was made concerning the issue. The motion is: To enhance student learning and due to the fact that we are evaluated on the use of technology, the Faculty Senate proposes a motion that all rooms have a minimum of: an LCD projector, Internet access, screens, a TV with DVD/VCR, and adequate seating for all students. In addition, there needs to be a structured system that offers a greater consideration of the needs of the individual course and/or faculty member when assigning classrooms.

The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

2. Discussion was had on the cross-listing of courses as that issue relates to new faculty needs, but no motions were made.

3. Senate split into undergraduate and graduate faculty committees for brief meetings. It was also agreed that the full Senate would meet twice a month as usual and use part of the regular meeting time to meet in committees.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:00 PM.