

**TO:** Members of the Faculty Senate

**FROM:** Beheruz N. Sethna, President

**RE:** Response to Senate Actions

**DATE:** March 20, 2013

Following is my response to the actions of the Faculty Senate as represented in the minutes of the meeting of December 7, 2012, which were approved at the Faculty Senate meeting on February 15, 2013. All program approvals are made contingent upon the department's commitment to staff the changes out of existing internal funds. Note that Section 3.6.2 of the Board of Regents *Policy Manual* states, *inter alia*: "The termination of educational programs, degrees, or majors shall be submitted to the Chancellor for review and recommendation for action by the Board of Regents." So, all program, degree, and major terminations (as well as additions) need to be approved by the Board. Our requests should include the rationale and the plan for addressing the needs of existing students.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Undergraduate Programs Committee** 

A-C) Motions to modify Minor in Religion (ENG) and BS in Biology, deactivate BS in Nursing (RN to BSN Rome/GA Highlands), terminate BS in Nursing (RN to BSN Dalton State), and add NURS 3303 were passed.

I accept these motions.

D) Motion to add "course deletions (with the exception of Core courses)" to item 4, third bullet of the UWG Shared Governance Procedures for Modifications to Academic Programs was approved.

I accept this motion.

## **Graduate Programs Committee**

A) Motion to add HIST 5285 and HIST 5385 was passed.

I accept this motion.

B) Motion to make revisions to the Graduate Faculty Approval Policy was passed.

I accept this motion.

## Academic Policies Committee

Motion was approved to adopt a policy on the definition of a credit hour (as presented in the minutes).

I accept this motion.