Dean Shelley Broderick started the meeting at 2:18 PM by welcoming all present.

Minutes of March 1, 2011 meeting:

The minutes were moved, seconded, and approved with a few additions.

Introduction of Members:

The members and observers all introduced themselves.

Charter and By-laws Committee Report (D. Musgrove)

A memo will be circulated to all UDC faculty chairpersons by April 13, 2011 regarding the election of 2011-13 so that the election of Senators can become agenda items in department faculty meetings.

Professor Musgrove also introduced two proposed changes to the by-laws which had been moved and searched by the Committee. The first, on page one would substitute "Vacancies shall be filled by special election and shall be for the remainder of the term of the replaced representative," for the existing language. The second proposed change would substitute "Following consideration by the CCDC Committee, all proposed changes to CCDC Academic Programs would be forwarded to the ASPPC for consideration. All proposed changes to the CCDC admission, retention, and graduation procedures will be forwarded by the ARC Committee for consideration."

The Senate approved the proposed changes to the By-laws.

Academic Standards, Programs, and Policies Committee (M. Petti)

Associate Degree in Medical Radiography: CCDC requested termination of the Associate’s degree in Medical Radiography. Under the program’s self-study 2007, the program was found to be unsatisfactory and its accreditation was withdrawn. However, those students currently enrolled in the program are able to complete the program requirements (passing of exams, graduation, etc.). No new students are currently being admitted to the program. To strengthen and/or revise the program and given its history since 2000, it is being recommended for suspension. There was a substitute motion to terminate the program. The
motion was moved and seconded. **Following discussion on the substitute motion, the Senate voted (with one abstention) to terminate the program.**

**BS in Respiratory Therapy:** The program was conceptualized in 2004, but was not approved and the program began in 2009. During this five-year period, standards and practices in the profession of respiratory therapy have changed. The department of respiratory therapy recommended to the ASPPC that the program be terminated; the ASPPC then recommended to the Senate that the program be terminated. **The Senate unanimously approved the program’s termination.**

VI. **Graduate Council Report (B. Hartline)**

Revision to the MBA Program: the revised program admits students regardless of undergraduate degree; it has been strengthened to become more compatible with MBA programs at other institutions. The proposal comes moved and seconded by the Graduate Council. Dean C. Mahone of the School of Business reiterated the program’s potential to enter joint program partnerships with other schools and programs at UDC. **The Senate approved the new MBA Program revision.**

VII. Admission and Retention Committee Report (E. Harrison) – No report

VIII. New Business

**Report from the Provost: The Provost reminded all persons that our core responsibility is to revise and strengthen our programs so that our students are best served.**

**General Education Implementation:** the Provost reiterated the University’s need to find a qualified applicant for the General Education program. The search committee welcomes recommendations from faculty members.