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Executive Committee Minutes: Revised
9/7/06

Members in attendance: Hoyt Edge, Larry Eng-Wilmot, Cat McConnell, Tom Cook, Wendy Brandon, Lisa Tillmann, Pedro Bernal, Sharon Carnahan

I. Lisa Tillmann approved as V.P./Secretary of faculty.

II. **Tom's requests to committee chairs:** post only approved minutes, proof committee lists and terms of office, secure student and staff members

III. **Fall faculty party:** various potential themes discussed; committee felt most drawn to an international potluck, preferably combined w/ Katrina and/or Rollins Relief

IV. **Hiring Faculty into a Program rather than a Department**

A. Background: Classics is looking to hire a general classicist who may not be a good fit in any one existing department.

B: Lisa raised the related question of Classics becoming a department rather than a program. She mentioned the structure and budget that department status would provide. Pedro stressed the need to allow Scott Rubarth and Elise Friedland to drive the decision for the classics program.

C. In examining the bylaws, the EC noted that in certain places, the language reads "department" and in others "department or program." Lisa asked if anyone objected to hiring a person into a program rather than a department. Sharon indicated that she does not object to *hiring* someone into program, but she does object to *tenuring* someone in program.

D. Wendy raised a question about whether precedent existed, e.g., hiring faculty to teach full time in Holt.

V. Sharon reminded the EC that the Marine Biology major was approved last year by AAC and was ready to be brought before the EC.

VI. Wendy indicated that PS would be looking at faculty travel and on-line evaluations.

VII. In consultation with the EC, Tom decided to cancel next week's full faculty meeting and meet with the EC instead, continuing our discussion of hiring into programs (and potential changes to the by-laws) and exploring long-term, full-time non-faculty lecturers/teaching fellows.