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Senate Meeting
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Present: Agarwal, Sushma; Agbetsiafa, Douglas; Aghimien, Peter; Allee, Julie; Anderson, Sue; Anderson, Tracey; Bartholomew, A. Wayne; Bender, Eileen; Bennion Turba, Elizabeth; Black, Grant; Blodgett, James; Bushnell, Peter; Bushong, John; Chaney, Joseph; Chase, Aurora; Cheng, Yi; Choi, Chang; Colborn, J. Randall; Colborn, Nancy; Collins, Louise; Cook, Richard; Cordell, Rosanne; DeGuzman, Melchor; Egerton, Katherine; Elliott, Julie; Fassett, David; Fenner, E.J.; Fisher, Linda; Fleming, Diana; Fong-Morgan, Bridget; Fox, Mark; Fuchs, Kevin; Fujita, Frank; Garber, Lawrence; Gottwald, Judith; Grens, Ann; Griffin, Johnnie; Guan, Zhong; Guillaume, Jr., Alfred; Hadley, Gail; Hakimzadeh, Hossein; Hall, Janet; Herr, John; Hinnefeld, Jerry; Huitink, Geraldine; Hurst, James; Koh, Myung-sook; Kohli, Raj; Lambert, Larry; Lee, Monle; Levine, Ilan; Lewis, John; Lidinsky, April; Lynker, Monika; Makielski, Marta; Marmorino, Matthew; Marr, Deborah; McIntosh, John; McMillen, Douglas; Mehran, Jamshid; Mettetal, Gwendolyn; Meyer, Suzanne; Miller, Thomas; Mishler, Paul; Monsma, Ronald; Naffziger, Frederick; Nilsen, Micheline; Opasik, Scott; Pope, Robert; Reck, Una Mae; Regan-Kubinski, Mary Jo; Russo, Michele; Sabbaghi, Asghar; Saksena, Pankaj; Schwartz, Ruth; Scott, Henry; Sernau, Scott; Shlapentokh, Dmitry; Shrader, Warren; Shrofel, Salina; Smant, Kevin; Smith, Kenneth; Sofhauser, Cynthia; Song, Yu; Sovereign, Nancy Rae; Sprague, Constance; Surma, David; Tetzlaff, Monica; Thomas, Susan; Tomlinson, Linda; Torstrick, Rebecca; Truex, Mary; Vaidyanathan, Ganesan; Vernon, Desrene; Vollrath, David; Vrajitoru, Dana; Walker, Lesley; White, Christine; Williams, Lynn; Wolfer, James; Zechowski, Sharon

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by the President, David Vollrath at 10 a.m.

II. Special Election for PTR Committee Vacancy.

Dave Vollrath:

Here is a copy of the agenda, hardcopies of which are available on the back table. There is a special election to fill a vacancy in the Promotion, Tenure and Reform committee. There has been a question about what the procedure is for the committee and so just by a quick way of education here, it is stated in Article 9 Section 1 that in case, it says here, in the event of a vacancy a special election will be held at the next meeting of the academic senate to select a replacement.

This procedure, by the way, is a little bit different than the one for the Faculty Board of Review which allows the executive committee with guidance from the results of the last election to select a replacement. So, we are following the procedure that is specified for this particular committee, the Promotion, Tenure and Reappointment committee. We are distributing plain sheets of paper. For your information, the current members of the PTR committee are John Lewis, Mortes Shafii-Mousavi, Andy Schnable, Peter Aghimien, Cynthia Sofhauser, and Randy Colborn. All of these members are tenured. The constitution allows an untenured member of the PTR committee. So, that is an option. The executive committee brings forward for consideration two nominees; both of which are able and willing to serve -- Monle Lee from Business and Economics and Douglas

Singh from SPEA. We also want to entertain additional nominations from the floor. Are there any nominations? Is there a motion that we close nominations? Second? All in favor of closing nominations please say aye.

Faculty: Aye.

David Vollrath: Any opposed nay. Then we will proceed. Again the choices are Monle Lee and Douglas Singh. Please mark your ballots.

Our Secretary, Mel de Guzman, will be counting the ballots as we proceed with other items on the agenda and we will announce the results of the election at the end of this meeting.

III. VCAA Address: For the complete text of the address please visit the VCAA website at www.iusb.edu/~acadaff

IV. Remarks by SGA President Mike Renfrow

I would like to thank Professor Vollrath for allowing me to come to speak to you today. Lucky for me I had to finish speech class this summer so hopefully that will help out. I had one professor tell me if you do a great job you had great teaching but if you do a bad job it's lack of preparation. We will see how this turns out. I would like to start out by quickly introducing myself. My name is Mike Renfrow. I'll be serving this year as president. I am a senior in the Chemistry department and I have really enjoyed going to school here. I will be finishing my degree in three years, luckily. So, I would also like to touch on real quick about what the Vice-Chancellor just said that I am excited about the stats and the things that are going on at the campus. And a lot of that I can tell is attributed to you here, everyone here in the building today. For students, coming to a University situation a lot of times can be kind of nerve racking and depressing. And what I have seen from the professors here is the ability for students to go up and talk to you and for you to be available for contact and things like that has just been amazing. It is something that I think is unique to this university and something you are not going to get on some larger campuses. So the research that is often mentioned is just excellent and your willingness to bring your students in on your research just really helps enhance the experience that students are getting on this campus. I'd like to thank you for that. The student government, I think, is a vital key for you as faculty senate to be able to keep a pulse also on what's going on in campus. I know you probably get your feel of students everyday but hopefully as student government we can work well with you to maybe see the areas that you aren't able to see through your classroom view or another committee view and so I hope that we can continue to build this university together. I just want to quickly highlight today three areas that I hope to lead our student government association this year. The first one would be just generally increasing the experience of the students here on campus and supporting fun and educational events on campus. We started off this year with the great welcome week which was just kind of a fun time to bring down the anxiety level of students. Shortly before that we started off with the leadership seminar that was coordinated by Marvin Rasch to help build more student leadership on campus. So we have some great things this year and speakers that the Vice-Chancellor also

mentioned that hopefully the student government will be able to support in those aspects. The second area that I really want to focus on this year is bringing some history and pride to our student government, along with some continuity. One of the problems that has to do with our student government is that it is kind of hard to find where we've been. One of my goals is that we leave new legislation and things like that where it will make it easier for the upcoming student governments to find out where we've been as a student government. What did we accomplish? And through having a history we will create a proud student government that will help further student governments be more active. We will do this by clarifying our constitution a lot this year and creating some more checks and balances that can hold us as students accountable. And that is an area where we appreciate the student affairs committee, which is your branch to help us hold ourselves accountable also. Again, the biggest thing that I would like to touch on this year is student representation. When I first got the position back in May I talked to a lot of professors and one of the most discouraging comments I think I heard was, "oh, we haven't had student representatives on our committee in three years". And just earlier this week I heard, "last year we didn't have a representative at all". And really it's not that you don't have representatives it's just sometimes trying to get people to show up at committee meetings and coordinating everything. And I would like to make it my commitment this year to have a night that at least 95 percent if not 100 percent participation by the student government in every committee we are supposed to be on. I think that something has happened over the last few years that we as students we kind of get caught up in the numbers of things. We have a big budget for, you know, a bunch of students I guess. And spending that money can kind of, sometimes, overwhelm us I think. I think our priorities kind of switched from being the representative voice of the students to the funding voice. And that's really, funding is important and money definitely all fits in line, but I want to see us return to being the voice on the campus and fulfilling our commitment and obligations to being active in the senate and the other university committees. I talked to the president of Bloomington student government presently at Bloomington and what I realized this last weekend after talking to him is that we definitely have a different type of student here and while down there their food and their housing generally is all paid for and they are taking their classes in and they have all the time to do government on the side. A lot of our government people right now are taking their classes and then trying to earn their rent money or trying to earn their food money or take care of a family and then try to make committee meetings and things like that. So, hopefully by creating some new positions, hopefully some coordinating positions that will help us to solidify who needs to be where for committee meetings and things like that. So, I hope that if you sit on a committee, an academic committee or any university committee, and there is supposed to be student representation and they are not there, I encourage you please e-mail me on our web site. You can get my e-mail or just come by the office. But, I really want to know what our commitment level to these committees are. I just want to wrap up then I guess by saying that, I thank you all very much for your dedication to students, I mean it has been a profound effect on my life and I look forward this year to really building stronger bridges between the Student Government Association and the academic senate. I thank you for the time today.

V. Remarks by the director of the American Democracy Project, Elizabeth Bennion

Many of you already heard me speak about that American Democracy Project at our all campus meeting and you may have also seen a description of the project in the first issue of the Preface, the student paper or the ADP editorial in the September 6th issue of the Elkhart Truth. Most recently you may have seen the ADP article and calendar of ADP events in the September 14th issue of the South Bend Tribune. Finally, you may have heard about the project on our local public radio station. They will be broadcasting some of the best features from our ADP SB web-site every Tuesday at 7:30, 12:30, and 4:30. In short, we've been getting terrific local coverage and our goal is to strengthen our role as a citizen in the community, that is, IU South Bend's role as a citizen in the community and to highlight the good work we are all ready doing. But ultimately the goal of the American Democracy Project is to transform our campus in ways that benefit students and change their lives. We are, as Alfred said, one of almost 200 campuses nationwide seeking complete citizenship among college students to make them thoughtful and active citizens of our campus, our community, our nation and our world. All eight campuses of IU are participating in the project and I will be meeting this afternoon with the directors of the other campuses to see what we can do together as a system. But each project is unique. Each project is local. The key to success of the project on this campus is the faculty. The faculty and staff who work at this institution on an ongoing basis have the power to transform those the institution and the students who are fortunate enough to study and learn here at IUSB. My goal today is to invite you to participate in several important initiatives. Next week, you will receive a copy of the ADP on campus audit via campus mail. I would ask, beseech and implore you to fill out these forms and return them to me in the envelope provided. I understand, believe me I understand, the time constraints you face as you balance the day of teaching, service and research, along with hopefully some kind of family and social life. I understand the frustration you may feel with having to be asked to complete yet more paperwork. But the campus audit is extremely important to the success of this project and to our future as a campus. It is critical that we know what is already happening so that we can coordinate, highlight, and reward these activities. This is perhaps the biggest part of my role as campus director, making sure that we work together to pool our resources and to maximize the good that we do and to recognize the good that we are already doing. This recognition should occur on campus, throughout the IU system and the community. I hope to increase the institutional intentionality of what we do, so that we can link what we do both inside and outside of the classroom to the important goal of shaping citizens into leaders of the future. I would like to see us in the curricular and extra curricular to see this as a larger goal rather than a series of unrelated activity. The campus audit will help us to understand what we are already doing so that we coordinate the activity and increase their visibility so that members of the campus and the community can understand what we are doing here. Another part of the audit will be a projection audit. This will be a one page audit that asks what you might be willing to do in the future and if you have any interest in any of the things on the list please check, put a check in the box. The goal here is to increase the number of people that are involved in the project and find ways to support these efforts to assist us find grant money, advise on courses and workshop, help with extracurricular event, planning or advertising on campus and in the community. Please, please fill out the audit forms and ask your colleagues to do the same. If you're a chair or

a dean please ask your faculty to fill out the form. I will prepare an audit report that summarizes the results of the audit and post it to the web so that everybody can view the results. In addition, I would like to select members from the professional staff and of course the students in order to assess the effectiveness of the project. We want to look at student levels of engagement and the University's commitment to civic education. It is important to benchmark measurements of where they stand now. I haven't finalized the survey design. I'll talk more about this in the future but I think we'll want to look at juniors and seniors who have been here a while and a little bit of the freshmen and sophomores and see what happens in the next couple of years and then we'll compare those as juniors and seniors to those we have now. I hope that you will cooperate by sending in your suggestions and by also allowing your class to participate in a brief survey.

A second major initiative I would like to highlight is an all campus voter registration drive. This is an important election year. There was a front page article in the New York Times a couple of days ago that focused on the fact that young peoples interest in this years presidential election is higher than at any time since 1972 when the 18 – 20 year olds received their right to vote. The issues driving this election, national security and the economy among others are not small issues. This is a big picture election. There are competitive races at the national level, the state level, and at the local level including school boards so that we can affect education in K-12 in our cities. For several years now the Political Science club hosted voter registration drives. I believe that the moral of college campuses provide students with voter registration and information so that they can exercise their civic rights and responsibilities. Even if you disagree with me on this point the law is on my side. A 1998 Amendment to the Higher Education Act which governs most federal student aid requires colleges to make good faith efforts to provide voter registration information and materials to all students. According to the law colleges and universities must obtain voter registration forms 120 days before the local registration deadline and distribute them to all students enrolled in degree or certificate programs. Colleges that fail to comply with the provision could jeopardize federal student aid funds. We are one of about 65 of the colleges who either comply with the letter or the spirit of the law. Now, we have made the 160 day deadline although we can still comply with the spirit of the law and participate in the campus voter registration drive by providing voter registration forms to students in your classes. The ideal method I think is to put a form on every desk at the beginning of class before the students sit down and then require them to return to you either a completed form or a blank form. Alternatively, you can have students drop off their registration form at a table staffed by political science club members in the main blue hallway in Weikamp Hall and also outside of this room in Northside Hall. If you collect the forms, send them to me by campus mail or slide them under my door and I will make sure they reach the proper voter registration office by the Oct 4 deadline.

Now, let me quickly remind you of a few other initiatives. First let me invite you to a table talk forum another event listed on the ADP event calendar and there is a backside. This is the updated copy for those of you who may have received the yellow or orange versions in the pack, from now on, check the web for updates. Also send me information

about additional events and I will make sure they get posted to the web-site or I'll make sure I can get them posted to the web-site and also the South Bend Tribune. The Tribune will be regularly listing our events.

Second, let me invite you to participate in a teaching circle, a discussion group based on the book, *Educating Citizens*. It's the basic book that guides the American Democracy Project. There will be Thursday afternoon session led by Dave Vollrath and Friday afternoon sessions led by De' Bryant . You can check the faculty digests for more information.

Third, let me remind you again about the One Book, One Campus project: *War is the Force that Gives us Meaning* by long-time war correspondent Chris Hedges. Read parts or all of the book. Encourage students, other colleagues, and friends and member of the community to read it. It's a quick reading. It's a fascinating read and there will be many opportunities on campus as well as at local book stores to discuss the book. You can check out the One Book, One Campus web-site for more information.

Fourth, I would like to ask you to check out the wonderful web publication. Alfred mentioned earlier and I agree that if you haven't checked it out you're really missing a treat. The weblog maintained by Ken Smith and the web the journal is amazing. You can listen to Paul Herr's broadcast of his essay, *Democracy is a Choice*. You can find links to important national and international news stories. It can view student, faculty and staff reactions to thought provoking questions and quotations. You can read Kevin Smant and Steven Grunsher share their unique perspectives on American politics. You can read about Linda Chen's experience teaching American Politics in France and about Steve Shore's experience viewing *Fahrenheit 911* in an Italian movie theatre. Best of all you can expand the range of thoughts and ideas reflected on the ADP SB site by posting to the site and encouraging your students to do the same. I would like to thank you for allowing me to take part in your Friday to talk to you about the American Democracy Project. I look forward to working with all of you on this important initiative to change the lives of our students in ways that matter to equip our students with the knowledge, value, skill and motivation needed to make a difference on their own terms and in ways that are the most meaningful to them and so very important for all of us.

VI. Remarks by Carol Evans, the Alumni Association Liaison to the Senate

Thank you very much for allowing me this time. It is a personal victory for me to be down here -- to be able to walk down the steps without aid of a cane or a walker. Thank you very much for giving me this time today. I am the Vice President of Strategic Planning for our IUSB Alumni Association and I also serve as your liaison. So, if there are question and so on that you have for us or if we can do something for you, I will be in each of these meetings and hopefully can answer questions as they may come up. The international IU alumni association is what we are a part of and we on the IUSB campus are very proud of the fact that we have become a role model for the various campuses because of the things we have been able to accomplish. And so I am very proud of that. Not only are there new people on board, but our capacity and ability to be able to retain

members and they've set an impossible goal this year. I am not sure how they are going to do it but they will, they always do. This is the 150th anniversary year for the alumni association and you'll remember seeing things around campus, you probably all ready have. We're going to have a very beautiful celebration I think over the course of the week and I hope you'll participate in some ways in some of those activities. I want to tell you that we make every effort to support all kinds of initiatives, the major initiatives in particular that on campus. With Mae as our leader she comes out with new things all the time and we really support her on that. One of the things that we have been responsible for over the last seven, I think this will be our eighth year coming up is a scholarship program. We've raised money and have a very nice endowment now and we'll be doing scholarships for that long. We have a one year scholarship, full scholarship and we keep striving for excellence to bring more and more better students to you. And I think that as we've look at the applications over the last few years you'll have to agree that some of the students that are coming in are just fabulous I am just so proud of them. This year we gave 8 scholarships and we'll be having a scholarship banquet at the end of this month to honor those folks, to bring them in. Those are traditional scholarships, but we also gave four \$1000 non-traditional scholarships thanks to Mae who put up money for those. Thank you very much Mae. And she has a new initiative of course, she always does, that I'll tell you about next month. In addition, I am so proud to be able to say that for the first time we gave a four-year scholarship. Larry Lentik is initiator, if you will, of the scholarship program. He began some years ago and so it was in his honor that we will be giving this first one. So, each year now we will be giving a four-year scholarship in addition to the others. I am very proud of that. We are over, the alumni here in South Bend is up over 25,000 strong. Many of us remain in the area so we are here to serve you continue to in terms of what we can do for you. Our intent is to support all of the major initiatives and Mae this one's for you. She was at a meeting last night and after she left there was a vote taken and we have concluded that our major focus this year will be to assist with getting the dollars to do the renovation of the Associates building. And finally I just want to say that we, one more thing I want to tell you, I am glad to say that there were a number of us who were asked to lead sessions at our leadership conference in the Spring and also I am happy to say that when there new initiatives come up we are asked to be consultants as to how to approach things. So I think those are things we need to be proud of. Finally, I want you to know we have a focus that says that we will be stronger in the IUSB campus and we want people in the community surrounding us to be equally supportive of what we do. We want to be linked solidly with them and we as an alumni association will try to do our part in that but we ask that you as faculty, individually, please reach out to that community and try to do the same thing. Thank you very much for giving me the opportunity and thank you for your time and attention.

VII. Chancellor's Administrative Report

Thank you David and welcome back for a wonderful year. It has begun. I really appreciate all of the remarks that we heard this morning and Alfred, thank you for giving your leadership in academic affairs. Thank you Carol for your leadership in the alumni association, so much. Elizabeth, where are you? Thank you so much for the American Democracy Project. I am reading the book, o.k.? And Mike thank you so much. We're

working with you and the students and the student government association. In all these areas I've seen growth over the two years that I have been here and I especially have seen growth in the student participation. I am really pleased with that. Two areas that have all ready been mentioned by Alfred that I was asked to remark on but I will remark also on them -- enrollment and mission differentiation. I, too, want to certainly thank all of you for the help that you've given where we were. It was an interesting summer. I must admit. It started at the end of May and we met on a regular basis as a small team from the enrollment management committee that I began last academic year. At one point, I don't know if you realize we were down 7%. And that was really a tough week. We couldn't really figure out but we kept plugging away with new ideas and it all began to gel at the end of the summer there. So we went down, we went from a negative 7% to a plus 3% in terms of head count. And it was about the same thing for credit hours. So, thank you again and I must say that the last board of trustees meeting in early September was the most pleasant one that I've attended. Why? Well, because part of that meeting was a retreat for the Board of Trustees and the first topic was enrollment and each Chancellor from each campus was asked to make a presentation about enrollment for the Fall. And of course all my comments were positive so I thank you again. It's not perfect here in enrollment but we certainly did a great job. We'd certainly need to work on graduate enrollment and we slightly went down there and we do need to work on summer school as well. We'll continue on. One of the things that we did initiate here in the summer and we only got permission in July to do this so we only had a month's time to work on this is the new Chancellor's Merit Award and that gives a student who meets the academic requirements from out of state they get in state tuition and we are allowed to have fifty awards per year. So having only a month we did get eighteen so I think we did very well for a month and we hope to pick up the rest in the Spring. And I just found out yesterday that this award has been extended by IU for the year 05-06 for us. So we start now looking for the fifty for next fall. I am very pleased by that. We also just had a first search committee meeting this morning for the VC for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management so we will have strong leadership in this area for a long time with that new position there. The enrollment management committee has already met once. We looked at the first draft of our enrollment management plan and that will be coming to you this Fall semester once we get that finalized for your comments and input. Are there any questions about enrollment before I move on to mission differentiation? Thank you again and any suggestions you have please e-mail me. We are always looking for new ideas.

Mission differentiation is President Herbert's initiative and the main purpose is to review the mission statements of each of the campuses. Our meeting is Oct the 6th from 1 to 5 pm and faculty and staff and students and alumni and advisory board members are going to be invited to participate in this event. And the goal is to have the document from each of the campuses completed by the end of December. That deadline might be revised, I don't know but that is the original deadline so we will meet that deadline unless told otherwise. And we will be looking at a revised mission statement probably coming to the academic senate in November. I think it'll be too close from October the 6th to the next meeting in October. David has been working very closely with project so as Eileen Bender from the cabinet so we are on top of it and trying to figure out exactly what it will all end up to be so that it be favorable to our campus. I believe it has very, very positive

effect on our campus to let everyone know what our mission is here and how we see our future, very positive. Part of that future is with the Associates Building which Carol mentioned. This size enrollment is on my mind was the Associates Building because. And I've been meeting with legislators all summer and I continue right after this meeting I am going to Kokomo to meet with another person. And our main goal of course is to talk about the IU campus project as a whole and also specifically about the Associates Building, how it will benefit our campus. I can't tell you how much easier it is to talk about this project now with our enrollment growth because it really makes them understand more clearly why we need the building. If we do get to build the building, we have to realize the earliest the students can really use it will be 2008. Now we continue on this growth pattern of 2 to 3 percent per year, I say to them where do we put the students? Where do we park? But anyway it is very positively received. Of course everybody is concerned about the state budget and how it's going to end up and it is an election year which makes it sort of "iffy" too. But another good ramification involved in these visits I found is that never had any chancellor in this campus taken the effort to meet with these legislators individually. So now they know more about our campus. So they know who to contact too if they have a question. I must tell you I have been truly, truly impressed by their sincerity and devotion to the state of Indiana and to education. I can say that with other states, I was not that impressed at all. I am very pleased by these meetings and I think there will be many benefits from these meetings. All the legislators that I will be meeting with are going to be invited to our Nov.9 Legislative luncheon sponsored by the Alumni Association so we hope that they will come. I must tell you that one of the most wonderful outcomes of the meeting, I don't know if you know who Sen. Meeks is, but he is a Republican and he chairs the subcommittee on finance. He served many years in this capacity. After meeting with him, I wrote him a note inviting him to campus and he indeed came to campus. He wanted to see the building. He wanted to see how all the domino effect would happen. He wanted to see our campus and he spent an hour with me and the cabinet and he was greatly impressed. So, I will with him now again in October to tell him about our enrollment because at that time we did not know where we are in enrollment. That is a very positive thing because he is in a key leadership position in the Senate. Tomorrow I will be having lunch with Senator Bauer talking about the Associate's Building and he of course is very familiar with the buildings in our campus. So, I am hopeful there but no one knows how these will all turn out. So, we just keep going and hope for the best just like we did with enrollment and it worked out.

Are there any questions on any of these topics or about anything? Yes, Carol

Carol: Would it benefit us if some of the faculty would be joining us in the meeting with the legislators?

Chancellor Reck: I will have to think about that. We do have an extensive list that is invited there and we don't want to overwhelm them. We're going to be sending out the invitation soon. So, we'll have to see what the response is. I have no idea what I am going to get in terms of response but we're inviting 3 or 4 times more legislators than we have ever invited before. These are all the people I've met with or will be meeting with

by Nov. the 9th in special invitation coming from me. We'll see. If we do, I call on David and I'm sure the faculty will rally to that effort.

Question from Elizabeth Bennion: I'm wondering about budgeting, if we do not maintain this level of enrollment or we decline a percent or two, are we going to be cut if don't grow?

Answer: Well, we will not be specifically asked to be cut as a single campus. It would be a statewide cut. I don't know the answer to that. The pendulum swings both ways. I tried to be as positive as possible and think about the best outcome but some people I have talked with are very bleak about the outcome for higher education in the state for state in the state for this coming biennium. So, would be very fortunate not to be cut at all. Just to come out flat in terms of operations and very minimal funding in capital project if at all. So, it's mixed bag out there right now. As for our campus, we are very conservative with our budget because we have been very fortunate with stable enrollment. Stable means either staying flat or growing slightly. So, we try to get that going also because it is always to our benefit. But we are being very conservative because we don't know what that future would look like. You are correct on that.

Other questions or comments? Yes, the gentleman at the back.

Scott Opasik: Would you give us an update on the bridge?

Chancellor: I thought I might be able to squeeze by without making a comment on that. Somebody always catches me with that. The status of the bridge is that the Project Cooperative Agreement has been approved by IU 3 or 4 months ago if not longer. It sits now in the national office of the Army Corps. Over the summer, I have had many conversations with Sen. Bayh's office, with Sen. Lugar's office. In fact Sen. Bayh was on our campus for an economic seminar with community leaders. I talked with him personally. I showed him the diagram of the bridge and where the 26 acres are. A joint letter has been written by Sen. Bayh and Sen. Lugar's signature on it to a Lt. Col. at the Army Corps Office in Washington, DC asking for status update where it is. That's where we are right now. I just got an email from a lobbyist who works for IU (Sacamore Group) asking, "Have we heard a response?" I said, "No, we have not heard anything yet as a result of the letter from the two senators." So, we keep plodding along and eventually we will get a report of some kind. But the long and the short of it is we sort of got caught between the budgets. The money for 2004 by the time the CPA got to that level of the Army Corps, all the money for 2004 have been spent basically. Now, we're hoping that it will be written in to the 2005 budget. That's what we're working for. We won't know until October because the fiscal end is by the end of September.

VIII. VC Guillame presented the Teacher of the Year Award to Rebecca Torstrick.

IX. Senate President's Remarks, Announcements, and Questions

The last item of business is for me to report to you as president a couple of other items. First of all, I wanted to thank John Lewis for serving as parliamentarian today. I've asked David Barton to serve as our parliamentarian for this year and he is preparing for a performance and unable to attend today. So, thank you, John.

Secondly, the results of the elections are that Monle Lee will be joining the PTR committee this year. Third, at the bottom of the agenda there, we put down the web address for the CDC. It is traditional for that committee to make an annual report for this first meeting of the Senate however we did hear from them already in the Spring and so I encourage you to visit the web-site and as we come together for conversation about our mission and what it might be, should be, refresh yourself about the campus planning process that we've been going through together for the last several years and bring those thoughts to that conversation. Another web address that I encourage you to get familiar with is SBAS. This web-site is gradually moving from the W drive to the website as the place you should visit for the latest and up to date information. And so at this time of transition for example with respect to which committee you might be on, I might suggest that you go to the web-site now to check the rosters for those committees as well as other events. We'll be posting minutes when they have been approved at the website. So we're making that transition.

I have to thank Scott Opasik, who is heroically going to continue serving as the webmaster and doing the work to make that web portal up to date. So please join me in thanking Scott now and in the future.

Other announcements?

Elizabeth Bennion the availability of ADP at the home page of the library that was put up by Julie Elliott. The website has information and links related to candidates for the coming elections

Question from the audience: I have a question. Elizabeth, how do we get the voter registration forms? Are you going to send us stuff?

I will have one registration form with all of your campus audit packages and then you can make as many copies as you need for your classes. If for some reason you can't make copies on your own, I can provide you with some extra copies. They can mail on their own or they can give them to you and you can give them to me. So I will provide you with the form you need for and you can simply photocopy them as long as they're postmarked by the deadline of November 4th.

Dave Vollrath: Other announcements? O.K. Our next meeting is October 15th.

X. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 pm