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**Senate Executive Committee
Minutes of November 17, 2008**

1. Dr. Richard Schuster was unable to attend the meeting; however, the committee accepted his resignation from Senate and Executive Committee, as he has accepted a new appointment at the College of Public Health at the University of Georgia. Dr. Schuster's thoughtful contribution as both BSOM Senator and Executive Committee representative will be missed and we wish him well at his new position.

Dr. Dana Duren, Assistant Professor of Community Health, will replace Dr. Schuster as BSOM Senator. Dr. Gordon Walbroehl, Professor of Family Medicine and Geriatrics and BSOM Senator, will replace Dr. Schuster as the BSOM Executive Committee representative.

2. Executive Committee appointed five faculty members to the Ad hoc Committee on Free Speech. Additionally, Gwen Mattison, from the Office of General Counsel and Michael Martinsen, WSU Chief of Police, have been asked to serve on the committee. The committee will begin meeting in January.

Membership:

Ken Dahms, BSOM (Chair)
Mel Goldfinger, COSM
Doris Johnson, CEHS
Cheryl Meyer, SOPP
Evan Osborn, RSCOB
Gwen Mattison, Office of General Counsel
Michael Martinsen, WSU Chief of Police

3. The Committee accepted the resignation of CONH Senator Leatha Ross, who accepted a staff position as Director of Student Health Services. An election was held for a replacement CONH Senator with Dr. Janice Belcher winning the seat. The committee took advantage of the opportunity to elect Dr. Belcher to a standard, two-year term (rather than a one-year replacement) so that the two CONH Senators would be on staggered terms.
4. Comments and concerns generated from the department name change request in the Raj Sooin College of Business were forwarded to Provost Angle.
5. The committee approved the agenda for the January 5, 2009 Senate meeting before adjourning until the winter quarter.