1. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Cathy L. Rozmus Vice-President for Academic Affairs. A quorum of the faculty was present.

2. The minutes of the 3 December 2003 and 25 February 2004 General Faculty Meetings were approved as amended.

3. Remarks by President Michael L. Hanes

   a. Capital Campaign

      The faculty viewed the video “Voices: Celebrating Our Past; Shaping Our Future,” which was shown last week at the Gala Dinner. Dr. Hanes then thanked the faculty, staff and close friends of GSW for helping the campaign exceed the 50% mark—more than $6.9 million—commendable for this stage of any capital campaign.

      Former President and First Lady Jimmy and Rosalyn Carter are honorary co-chairs of the capital campaign. They were presented an award at the Gala Dinner. Another video was shown of their response.

   b. Other Projects

      Dr. Hanes distributed a handout on facilities projects at GSW. The university has received a second grant for $500,000 from the Georgia Department of Transportation. Dr. Hanes also commented that memberships are now available for the GSW Golf and Conference Center. A golfing membership is $50 per month plus a $25 minimum food service charge. A social membership is $30 per month plus a $25 minimum food service charge.
4. Remarks by the Vice-President Cathy L. Rozmus:

a. Faculty Achievements During the Past Academic Year

Dr. Rozmus recognized all those who had achievements of various sorts: Distinguished professor grants, faculty development grants, professional presentations, publications accepted, election to state or national office or special recognition in professional organizations.

The following were granted tenure: Ellen Cotter, Peggy Ellington, Richard Hall, Gabriele Stauf, Laverne Worthy, Doyin Coker-Kolo, and Elizabeth Kuipers.

The following promotions were approved: to full professor: Dan Askren, Michael Fathi, and Laura Vance; to associate professor: Joe Johnson, Julie Meginnson, John Rhodes, Doyen Coker-Kolo, and Elizabeth Kuipers.

Those who have retired or will be retiring during this academic year are Nancy Hunt, Barbara DeStefano, and Pat Cook.

Those who successfully defended their dissertations and were awarded the terminal degree: Kris Lawson and Michele Smith.

The faculty of the Department of History and Political Science completed a successful review of its baccalaureate program.

Dr. Rozmus thanked all who had participated in Preview Days, S.T.O.R.M. Days, Springfest and homecoming activities.

b. New Programs

The B.B.A. is now being offered through Bainbridge College.

There is now an online program for the B.S. in Nursing.

GSW now offers a completely online Bachelor of Applied Science in conjunction with Albany State University and Dalton State College.

Steve Galatas commented on the American Democracy Project, of which GSW is one of 100 participating institutions nationwide.

Tom Johnson commented on the Foundations of Excellence in the First-Year Experience, of which GSW is one of 12 founding institutions.

The Marketing Task Force reported on its efforts to reach potential students in our area.
Coach Barksdale commented that the GSW Foundation has agreed to fund scholarships for soccer and golf players for the next three years.

Greg Hawver and John Kooti are developing a professional golf course management program.

5. Committee Reports:

All committees are urged to make their end-of-year reports available on the GSW Web page.

6. New Business:

The following items were all forwarded from the Faculty Senate with its endorsement:

a. Substantive Change - Program

(1) **B.S. Ed. Health and Physical Education**
Revised Program Sheet in B.S. Ed. Health and Physical Education. Passed.

(2) **B.S. Ed./Early Childhood Education Initial Certification Program** - Delete EDEC 2400, 2500, 3901, 3902, 4900, 4960, EDRG 3050, 4050. Add: EDRG 3280, 3020, EDEC 3100, EDUC 3400, EDUC 2010, 2030, HPER 2050, EDEC 2700, MUSC 2140. Change: EDEC 3650, 3400, 3450, 4550. Field Experience Requirements - All courses indicated on curriculum sheets as requiring field experience hours will have those hours embedded within the courses. Instructors will work with PDS cooperating teachers to create schedules and communication strategies that ensure the greatest coherence between course instruction and field experience. Successful completion of coursework will require successful application of outcomes within the field experience. Passed.

(3) **Middle Grades Education Program** - Explicit identification of field experience hours with courses preceding student teaching: New Courses: EDRG 3060, EDUC 3400, EDMG 3020. Increased credit hours from 3 to 5 in EDMG 3030, EDMG 4050, EDMG 3060, and EDMG 3100 to incorporate the assessment component and field experience hours. Deletion of EDMG 2300, EDMG 2900, EDUC 2800, the requirement of EDMG 3140 or EDMG 3700, and EDMG 4400. Opening School Experience requirement (fall of academic year in which student teaching is scheduled, 120 clock hours); require EDUC 2030, two core concentration courses and a major elective course in Core Area F. Passed.
(4) Secondary Certificate Programs (a) (b) - Explicit identification of field experience hours with courses preceding and including student teaching (minimum of 900 hours total). New Courses: EDRG 3060 and EDUC 3400. Increased credit hours from 4 to 5 in EDSC 4090 Bio and Chem with TC, EDSC 4100 (Hist w/TC), EDSC 4060 (Eng w/TC, and EDSC 4080 (Math w/TC) to incorporate the assessment component and supervised field experience; Opening School Experience requirement (fall of academic year in which student teaching is scheduled, 120 clock hours); require EDUC 2030 in core area F or Certification Core; change the title of EDSC 4960 - Practicum Gr 7-12 to High School and Organization (Field hours decreased from 120 hours to 45 hours). Passed.

b. Addition - Program

B.S. Ed./Interrelated Special Education - Creation of Undergraduate Program in Interrelated Special Education replacing separate degree programs in Intellectual Disabilities and Learning Disabilities. New Courses: EDSP 4210, EDSP 4051, EDUC 3115, EDUC 3400, EDSP 4550, EDSP 4610; field experience hours are explicitly identified with courses in the program; EDSP 2510 replaces EDUC 2800 as a Core Area F requirement. Passed.

c. Deletion - Program

(1) B.S. Ed./Intellectual Disabilities Initial Certification Program - Deletion of intellectual disabilities initial certification program which is a categorical area of special education to allow for proposal of a new initial certification program in non-categorical, interrelated special education. Passed.

(2) B.S. Ed./Learning Disabilities Initial Certification Program - deletion of Learning Disabilities initial certification program which is a categorical area of special education to allow for proposal of a new initial certification program in non-categorical, interrelated special education. Passed.

d. Proposed Change in Definition of “Scholarship” at GSW-

Approved by Faculty Affairs. The proposal is to add the definition to the appendix of the faculty handbook. Passed.
7. Announcements:

   a. Turn in the survey on Teaching Circles as you leave today.
   b. Paula Williams will be mailing contracts to addresses that the Human Resources Office has.
   c. Grades due by 5 pm 6 May.
   d. Peggy Ellington—one person coming from South Africa to attend the Writers’ Workshop needs housing accommodations.
   e. Angelia Moore: Respond to survey online about Communities of Learning.
   f. Books are in for the fall—Neighbors.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 11:37 am.

Respectfully submitted,                        Approved:

Thomas L. Wheeler, Secretary                   Michael L. Hanes, President