Three Joint Motions from CAPT and CFG - November 1, 2002

Motion #1: In Recognition of President Studley

Resolved: The faculty of Skidmore College offer our gratitude to Jamienne S. Studley, Skidmore's sixth president and first woman president, for her dedicated and its students faculty and its students. Skidmore's sixth president and first woman president, for her dedicated service to the College and its students, faculty, and staff. We celebrate her achievements, noting that it was President Studley who successfully brought Skidmore into the new millennium, inaugurating the Tang Teaching Museum and Gallery, and overseeing the renovation of Case Center and construction of Porter Plaza. Her commitment to academic excellence has allowed Skidmore to continue to improve its national standing, increasing our ability to draw talented, intellectually adventurous students to our campus. We express our sincere appreciation for the leadership and comfort she provided in the hours and months following September 11, 2001, uniting our community at a most difficult time. Finally, we applaud her enthusiasm for establishing the College's future goals and priorities, with their emphases upon faculty development and student intellectual achievement. Acknowledging our indebtedness to her, we wish her well in her future endeavors, and trust she will value her time at Skidmore.

Motion #2: Concerning Chuck Joseph and the Office of VPAA/DOF

Whereas Chuck Joseph was appointed interim Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty in January 2002 and has since agreed to serve through academic year 2003-2004:

Whereas the announcement of President Studley's resignation and the Board's intention to begin a presidential search this year would mean inadvisably running simultaneous or overlapping searches for two major administrators;

Whereas the faculty of Skidmore College believes that it is in the best interest of the college to establish and maintain continuity and stability in the administration of the college during the upcoming period of presidential transition; and,

Whereas the faculty affirms that interim VPAA/DOF, Chuck Joseph, is ideally suited to offer such continuity, stability and strong faculty leadership at this time;

Resolved: That the Skidmore College Faculty expresses gratitude to VPAA/DOF Chuck Joseph for his service thus far and full and enthusiastic support for his continued service; and,

Resolved: That the Skidmore faculty recommend to President Studley that she, in turn, recommend to the Board that Chuck Joseph be appointed Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty.

Motion #3: Concerning Faculty Representatives on the Presidential Search Committee

Motion: CAPT and CFG move that the procedure for selection of the faculty representatives to the soon-to-be-formed presidential search committee be as follows:

- 1. CFG will solicit nominations (including willingness-to-serve, i.e. self-nomination) from the entire teaching faculty except that current members of CFG may not be nominated and current members of CAPT may neither be nominated nor nominate someone else.
- 2. CFG will run a nominating ballot which will result in the nomination of twice as many candidates as there are faculty slots on the committee (e.g., if 4 faculty slots are available, this ballot will result in 8 nominees).
- 3. CFG will send the names of the nominees to CAPT, which will select half of them to serve on the committee, endeavoring to obtain a reasonable balance of discipline, gender, and experience among the selected group.

Rationale: This is the exact procedure used in 1997 for the most recent presidential search. It seemed to work very well at that time; CFG and CAPT see no need to modify it.