

**Professional Staff Senate**  
University of Southern Maine  
Wednesday, July 12, 2006  
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1. Meeting called to order at 2:40 p.m. by Senator Wood.  
**Present:** Senators Cota, Crumb, Granahan, Houser, James, Jarry, Menezes, Pelletier, Volland, Wood  
**Excused:** Saucier, Labelle, Hassler, White,  
**Absent:** Burton, Decrow, Hallett, Helper, Race, Patterson-Falconer, Roy, Ryan
2. May 31, 2006 minutes approved as corrected. (spelling for Cota)
3. Treasurers Report:  
Senator Granahan indicated that half the budget was spent and remaining funds were absorbed by the university at the end of the fiscal year. The President's office covered costs for the Senate Reconition Reception.
4. Old Business:  
Senators Menezes and Wood exchanged roles as senate chair. Reminder that thank you letters need to be sent to participants and door prize contributors. Upon request Senator Menezes noted frustration with chairing via conference meetings. Senators discussed alternating campus locations including recognition event. Potential buses for Lewiston or Augusta.
5. New Business:  
Senator Wood recognizes time limitations and hopes to focus on a few priorities. He requested senators speak with their constituents to ascertain and pinpoint possible goals beyond awards, awards ceremony and elections. Available daycare for employees was raised as a consideration.

Meeting adjourned.

**Next meeting is Wednesday, August 9, 2006**