I. Chair Best called the meeting order at 3:46 p.m. Senators present included the following: Bausmith, Best, Broughton, Carpenter, Clabo, Dittman, Flannagan, Fry, Gourley, Grubbs, Jokish, Kunka, McWayne, Meetze, Nagata, Price, Ramey, Sacash, Stoeckmann, Varazo, Ward, Warters, Whelan, and White. Also present: Parliamentarian Kennedy. Senators absent: Fulmer, Shannon, and Whitmire.

II. The minutes from the September 23, 2008 meeting were approved.

III. Reports from Committees
   A. Executive report
      1. Best announced that Pain Hipp, Frank Wilis, and Gerald Maloy will receive Honorary doctorate degrees and the December 2008 Commencement with Pain Hipp being the Commencement Speaker
      2. PAC bids opened Tuesday, MB Kahn construction company submitted the lowest bid
      3. Budget Cut - over 8% ours equals 2,000,000+
      4. Budget and Planning committee will meet this coming Thursday
      5. No jobs in danger
      6. Professional development will not be touched
      7. QEP safe
      8. 3-4 not in danger
      9. 5% academic cuts
      10. 10% administration cuts
      11. Bond issues may cause postponement of the construction of the new athletic facilities
   B. Academic Affairs
      1. Item I from the Department of Mass Communications and Speech concerning the addition of a major in Sports Journalism passed.

IV. There was no old business.
V. There was no new business

VI. Announcements
   1. Advising begins next week.
   2. Pascal Funding has been reduced by 90%. Senator Cindy Price passed out a statement concerning PASCAL and Statewide Higher Education
   3. Career Fair, Wednesday, Oct. 29
   5. Chairman Best announced *The Elephant Man* is sold out for this Thursday’s (Oct. 23) performance but tickets are available for Friday and Saturday (Oct. 24 & 25).
6. Dr. Hutchin’s service will be tomorrow Oct. 22 at 4 p.m. at Mt. Hope Mausoleum
7. Nov. 6 - 8 – fiction festival
8. CHE Higher Education Summit Meeting on campus, Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m.
9. The next faculty meeting will be Nov. 25
10. Marlene Zuk will be speaking at 3:45 Wednesday Oct. 22 at Lawrimore about Sex and Biology and will be speaking Thursday at 3:45 in the Nursing Building
11. Please be reminded that Gender Study offers a minor and a collateral.

VII. The meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.
Proposal from the Department of Mass Communication:

A. **ADD**, on page 111 of the current catalog after the Public Relations option, the following:

   **Sports Journalism**
   Mass Communication
   225 Introduction to Sports Broadcasting
   230 Mass Communication Practicum
   304 Photojournalism
   320 Broadcast Presentation Skills
   330 Covering Sports
   402 Online Journalism
   455 Media Ethics
   475 Sports, Media, and Society
   498 Communication Internship
   Sociology
   381 Sociology of Sport

B. **MODIFY**, on page 111 of the current catalog under MAJOR, the following:

   **FROM:**
   2. 12 semester hours in one track option:

       a) Print Journalism: MCOM 417 and three other courses from the Print Journalism list, each approved by faculty adviser.
       b) Broadcast Journalism: MCOM 321 and three other courses from the Broadcast Journalism list, each approved by faculty adviser.
       c) Convergence Journalism: MCOM 440 and three other courses from the Convergence Journalism list, each approved by faculty adviser.
       d) Public Relations: MCOM 310 and three other courses from the Public Relations list, each approved by faculty adviser.

   **TO:**
   2. 12 semester hours in one track option:

       a) Print Journalism: MCOM 417 and nine additional hours from the Print Journalism list, each approved by faculty adviser.
b) Broadcast Journalism: MCOM 321 and nine additional hours from the Broadcast Journalism list, each approved by faculty adviser.

c) Convergence Journalism: MCOM 440 and nine additional hours from the Convergence Journalism list, each approved by faculty adviser.

d) Public Relations: MCOM 310 and nine additional hours from the Public Relations list, each approved by faculty adviser.

e) Sports Journalism: MCOM 330 and nine additional hours from the Sports Journalism list, each approved by faculty adviser.