

University Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
Friday February 19, 2010
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1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Tim Lenz at 2:15 p.m. The meeting took place in the BOT Room located on the third floor of the Administration Building, on the Boca Raton Campus, and via video conference at the Treasure Coast Campus, the MacArthur Campus, the SeaTech Campus, the Fort Lauderdale Campus, and the Davie Campus.

Members Present: Edgar An, Bruce Arneklev, Charlotte Barry, Pierre-Philippe Beaujean, William Bosshardt, Philippe D'Anjou, Ernest Andrew Brewer, Doug Broadfield, Valerie Bryan, Eric Chiang, Marshall DeRosa, Lester Embree, Deborah Floyd, Penelope Fritzer, Joseph Furner, Stuart Galup, James Gray, Anthony Guneratne Jerry Haky, Mike Harris, Fred Hoffman, Mehdi Kaighobadi, Kathryn Keller, David Kumar, James Kumi Diaka, Stephen Locke, Bill McDaniel, Abhijit Pandya, Gary Parsons, Ed Petuch, Howard Prentice, Marguerite Purnell, Deborah Raines, Markus Schmidmeier, Dilys Schoorman, Eric Shaw, Lydia Smiley, Khaled Sobhan, Jane Strudwick, John Valentine, Beverly Warde, Julie Honeycutt

Guests Present: Deborah Hohan, David Lee, Sharon Crawley, Mike Armstrong, Niki Wilson, Sharron Ronco

2. The UFS meeting minutes from January 22, 2010 were approved.
3. The UFS meeting minutes from February 5, 2010 were approved.
4. President's Report: (Tim Lenz)
 - The Presidential pool has increased to 43.
 - Tim Lenz encouraged the Senate to review the pool of candidates for the Presidency.
 - Tim Lenz reinforced faculty bringing any concerns they have to the members of the search committee.
 - On the 23rd of February the search committee will be reviewing all the information that is available.
 - The finalist will be chosen by the 25th of February at a meeting at the Majestic Palm. The meeting will be open to the public and webcast.
5. UPC Consent Agenda (there is no consent agenda)
6. UPC Action Items
 - College of Architecture, Urban and Public Affairs new Certificate in Public Procurement

Approved by general consent

7. GPC Consent Agenda

Approved by general consent

8. GPC Action Items

- TSL 6944- Teaching English to Speakers of other languages and bilingual education practicum

Approved by general consent

- DNS application for the PhD degree

Approved by general consent

9. Bylaws Report

- Eric Shaw said that there are two amendments being proposed to the bylaws. This report is for informational purposes only.

1. The removal of the campus senates and all mentions in the bylaws.
2. There will be a shift from paper ballots to electronic voting.

10. Collective Bargaining

- Fred Hoffman said that is currently taking place during this faculty senate meeting.

11. Open forum with the Provost

- Fred Hoffman asked since the re-organization of the College of Computer Science and Engineering has not been accepted by the faculty senate, is the administration ready to accept that
- Diane Alperin said that it is something they are thinking about.
- Tim Lenz asked what the current status for the College of Computer Science and Engineering would be if asked.
- Diane Alperin said it is as it is.
- Bill McDaniel asked what it was.
- Diane said it is what it is.
- asked if the faculty of the College of computer Science and Engineering should expect further re-organizations and therefore possible future lay offs of tenured faculty.
- Diane Alperin said I hope not.
- Fred Hoffman asked out of the 5 faculty that were laid off how many of the letters were rescinded?
- Diane Alperin said that all of the 5 are re-employed but only one went back to the same unit.
- Diane Alperin encouraged faculty to look at the resumes of the Presidential candidates and give feedback to the representatives.

12. Good of the Senate

- Jerry Haky asked about the duties of the GPC verses the duties of the graduate council.

- Bill McDaniel said that the GPC does nothing but courses programs catalogue changes as they relate to degrees. Anything else goes to the UGC.
- Grades Changes and default grades were discussed. Grade changes may only be made by faculty members. The default grade is a grade that the faculty member will deem if the student does not comply to the requirements in a timely manner. The question is will this form be necessary.
- Fred Hoffman asked the chair of the UGC if his committee needs a resolution from this body or are they prepared to ask for an increase of entry requirements for first time college students.
- Jerry Haky said that they can put that on next months meeting.
- Mike Harris asked if the Graduate Council could make it easier to have outside members on dissertation committees. He expressed concern that external members of dissertation committees have to go through additional steps to be approved to serve including obtaining a Z number.
- Deborah Floyd responded that, per the Graduate Governance Document, each doctoral dissertation committee must have a minimum of three approved Graduate Faculty who are members of the FAU faculty. Additional members, such as external members, may be approved to serve but they must be appointed to some approved level such as Associate Graduate Faculty. The College of Education has approved criteria and processes for external members to be named as Associate Graduate Faculty and serve on doctoral committees.
- Bill McDaniel said that external members of dissertation committees should have some type of association with the University.
- Diane Alperin said that if the outside member is working with your students there needs to be an affiliation such as a resume and background check just like any employee.
- Tim Lenz said that on March 1st and March 2nd a room has been reserved to meet the finalists in the College of Business.

13. The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 pm