

**Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
January 13, 2015
BOT Conference Room, 2pm – 4pm**

Members Present: Ron Nyhan, Chris Beetle, Bill Bosshardt, Yolanda Gamboa, Mike Harris, Morton Levitt, Dilys Schoorman, Diane Alperin (non-voting), Gary Perry (non-voting)

Absent: Hari Kalva

Guests: Michele Hawkins, George Young, Ed Pratt, Charles Roberts, Deborah Floyd, Mary Ann Gosser, Ethlyn Williams

1. The meeting was called to order at 2pm by Chair, Dr. Ron Nyhan.
2. The UFS Steering minutes from November 25, 2014 were approved with no objections from the committee.
3. **President's Report:**
 - a. Ron added a business item to be discussed: Item c) from Undergraduate Dean, Ed Pratt, Forgiveness Policy.
 - b. Update from Provost Perry: Department meetings are still going on.
4. **Speakers:**
 - a. No speakers were present at this meeting
 - b. Ron announced that Dan Flynn, new VPR, will speak at the next UFS meeting
 - c. The Steering Committee suggested President Kelly come in April
5. **UPC Consent Agenda:**
 - a. With no objections from the committee - will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering**
6. **UPC Action Agenda:**
 - a. **University-Wide**
 - i. University Honors Council Manual – Thesis Waived Notation Amendment
 - **Item withdrawn** by Mary Ann Gosser, Chair of UHC
 - b. **College of Business**
 - i. New Minor – Leadership and Human Resource Development
 - No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering**
 - c. **Informational Items**
 - i. University Honors Council Manual – Honors Compacts Amendment
 - ii. University Honors Council Manual – Honors Compacts Form

- Motion to move items to Consent Agenda – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering**
7. **UGC Consent Agenda:** No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**
8. **UGC Action Agenda:**
- a. **College of Business**
 - i. Memo – Certificate in Professional Accounting
 - No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering**
9. **Business Items:**
- a. **Reading Days** - It stands that Reading Days are undefined and it is the responsibility of the Provost's Office to assign a meaning to the term. The Academic Planning and Budget Committee are to discuss Reading Days and how they should be scheduled once a draft definition is given to them from the Provost's Office.
 - b. **Intercollegiate Athletics Committee Bylaws** – Ron discussed the combination of responsibilities between the University Intercollegiate Athletics Committee (formerly the UAB) and the UFS Athletics Committee. As a result, Ron and Prof. Dunn came up with a proposal to abolish the UFS Athletics Committee. Ron would like to present to the Senate the notification of potential change to the bylaws, specifically the elimination of the UFS Athletics Committee – motion to move forward to Senate **was approved with positive recommendation from Steering.**
 - c. **From the Undergraduate Dean – Forgiveness Policy** – Brought up by Provost Perry and Undergraduate Dean, Ed Pratt. After a long discussion, Ron proposes that the policy needs more clarification on drop out/forgiveness language, the first item needs to be simplified, and it needs more student success focus. There was no proposal vote. A meeting is set for Jan. 23rd, 2015 at 1pm for the Steering Committee to review again with data to decide if it goes before Senate with or without recommendation from Steering.
10. **Open Forum with the Provost:** Provost Perry discussed the current status of the BOG metrics for FAU.
11. **Good of the Steering Committee:** There was discussion on when syllabi should be due. No changes were made.

Meeting adjourned at 4:42pm.