

**University Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
Friday January 20th, 2012**

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by William McDaniel, President, at 2:04 p.m. in BOT Room on the Boca Raton Campus and videoconference at the Davie Campus, the Fort Lauderdale Campus, the SeaTech Campus, the Harbor Branch Campus, and the Port St. Lucie Campus

Members Present: William McDaniel, President M. J. Saunders, Provost Brenda Claiborne, Bruce Arneklev, Michele Hawkins, Kanybek Nurtegin, Stuart Galup, Eric Shaw, Allen Smith, Ernest Brewer, Deborah Floyd, David Kumar, Joan Lindgren, Mike Harris, Brian McConnell, Tim Lenz, Mary “Ann” Brananman, Marshall DeRosa, Fred Hoffman, Markus Schmidmeier, Stephen Locke, Jerry Haky, Morton Levitt, Schmidt-Kostner, Susan Dyess, Teresa Van Dyke, Ken Frankel, Valerie Bryan, Robert Trammell, John Moore, Mary Faraci, Ron Nyhan and Susannah Brown

Guests Present: Diane Alperin, Jack Ludin, , Wenying Xu, Andrew Furman, Christopher Robe, Derrick White, Donna Chamely-Wiik

2. The UFS meeting minutes from December 2011 were approved.
3. President’s Report was read: His notes are available upon request
4. UPC Consent Agenda
Accepted without objection
5. UPC Action Items
 - a. Change in Management Information Systems Major
Approved
 - b. Change in Management Information Systems Minor
Approved
 - c. New Operations Management Minor
Approved
6. GPC Consent Agenda
Accepted without objection
7. GPC Action Items
 - a. Revisions to Commercial Music MA
Approved

- b. PD Revision: Literatures, Languages, and Culture
Approved
 - c. Change in Curriculum Plan for Master of Science with Major in Nursing Track
Approved
 - d. Nurse Educator Track
Approved
8. Business Items: [i] President McDaniel asked for volunteers to be members for Senate committees and other committees. Three replacements are needed for the Steering committee, three for the Senate Committee on Committees and three for Academic Planning & Budget. These prospective members should be Senators. Their ultimate selection will be via electronic voting between the March and April meetings of the Senate. Likewise, the Committee on Committees seeks nominees for Senate President-Elect in that same voting period. All volunteers and nominees should inform the current Committee on Committees [Bill Bosshardt, Mike Harris and Joan Lindgren].

The University e-Learning Task Force needs one faculty representative each from the Colleges of Science, Honors, Medicine, Business and Education. The Library Advisory Committee needs a faculty member from each college. Again, interested faculty should contact the current Committee on Committees.

- a. Guest Speaker: Donna Chamely-Wiik: QEP
QEP plans to expand the knowledge and application of knowledge for undergraduate students. Faculty are encouraged to participate in serving on sub-committees (e.g student culture committee) and to complete surveys distributed by Deans so proper feedback can be used by administration to make informed decisions regarding current practices.
 - b. Jack Ludin addressed Senate issues regarding intellectual property & online courses.
9. Collective Bargaining Report – nothing to report.
10. Open Forum with the Provost
Provost discussed [i] SACS and the justification process of faculty teaching particular courses [ii] relevant issues presented at the Academic Affairs Leadership Team Meeting [iii] Enrollment growth and class caps [iv] Task Force: Innovation [v] the progress of the strategic plan which is almost completed [vi] overview of the last BOG meeting where collaboration for innovative ideas between institutions took place. [vii] Credentialing process when faculty is hired or when existing faculty teaches additional courses.

11. Comments by President M. J. Saunders

President Saunders discussed [i] the future of SACS overview and what possible systems need to be put in place [ii] defining the future of FAU with the strategic planning process [iii] BOG meeting: future trends of state institutions such as: a collection of research universities working together on a greater scale, a system-wide accountability report focusing on the production of degrees, comparing financial situations with other states etc., and providing evidence of the economic impact on lifetime earnings on Florida of faculty/university, higher education coordinating council geared at making systems operate together, a possible online university for the state of Florida [iv] Spring enrollment growth was 4% as opposed to 6%, as planned.

12. Good of the Senate: Senate is invited to a reception in the theatre's lobby after the February Senate meeting.

13. No Faculty Club today.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 pm