

**University Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**October 16, 2017**  
**EE 106, 1:00PM – 3:00PM**

**Members and Guests Present:** *See Appendix A* for attendance sheet.

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Dr. Kevin Wagner at 2:00pm. The meeting was held in room EE 106 on the Boca Raton Campus and was video conferenced to Davie (DW 108), Fort Lauderdale (HEC 608), Harbor Branch (LE 206G, Jupiter (SR 200), and Sea Tech (ST 250)

2. **With positive approval**, the Senate approved [September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017](#) UFS Minutes.

**3. President's Report**

- a. Dr. Kevin Wagner begins his report by announcing President Kelly will be speaking at the December meeting. Vice President Jeff Atwater will be speaking in the spring semester.
- b. Dr. Kevin Wagner asks the University Faculty Senate for one faculty member to join the [Catalogue Review](#). The Catalogue Review consists of faculty, staff, students, and members of the Office of the Provost. Dr. Kim Dunn nominates herself to serve on the committee. **Dr. Dunn is approved by the University Faculty Senate to serve on the Catalogue Review.**
- c. Finally, Dr. Kevin Wagner will be creating a book committee to review the Provost's memorandum for textbook affordability.

**4. Speakers**

- a. [Dean Ed Pratt, Update on General Studies Degree](#)
  - o Dean Ed Pratt begins his presentation by discussing Table 1 - The Distribution of BGS Degrees by College and Year. In 2014-2015, the total was 106 degrees. In 2015-2016, the total was 358 degrees, and in 2016-2017, the total was 475 degrees. Cumulatively, the three years of data had a total of 939 total degrees. During the past three years, The Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters had 38 degrees The College of Business had 199 degrees The College of Education had 420 degrees, The College of Engineering and Computer Science had 56 degrees, The Charles E. Schmidt College of Science had 166 degrees, and The College for Design and Social Inquiry had 60 degrees.
  - o Next, Dean Pratt presents the data from Table 2 - % Distribution of BGS Awarded by College and Year. During the past three years, 4.0% of the degrees came from The Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, 21.2% of the degrees came from The College of Business, 44.7% of the degrees came from The College of Education, 6.0% of the degrees came from The College of Engineering and Computer Science, 17.7% of the degrees from The Charles E. Schmidt College of Science, and 6.4% of the degrees came from the College for Design and Social Inquiry.
  - o In Table 3 – FTICs and Transfers Awarded BGS Degree by College, there were a total of 309 degrees awarded to first time in college students (FTIC's) and 630 degrees awarded to transfer students.
  - o In Table 4 – FTICs and Transfers Awarded BGS by Year of Graduation, in 2014-2015, 38 degrees were awarded to FTIC's and 68 degrees were awarded to transfer students. In 2015-2016, 124 degrees were awarded to FTIC's and 235 degrees were awarded to transfer students. In 2016-2017, 147 degrees were awarded to FTIC's and 327 degrees were awarded to transfer students.

- Finally, Dean Ed Pratt presents the data from Table 5 – Years to Grad with BGS for FTIC’s and Transfers. Less than 6 years to graduate students were a total of 477 degrees awarded. 4 years to graduate students were 251 degrees awarded. 6 years to graduate students were 211 degrees awarded.

**b. [Dean Carol Hixson, Florida Atlantic University Libraries Issues and Challenges](#)**

- First, Dean Hixson presents on the Budget for Collections Rate of Inflation for Library Collections (Print & Electronic) 7% annually and 83.8% over last ten years.
- FAU Libraries Budget for Collections in 2008 was \$3 million and in 2017 the budget is \$3 million.
- Other changes affecting Collections includes: Scholarly output increasing (doubling every years). Able to buy smaller and smaller percentage of scholarly output
- Greater reliance on electronic content: Easier for publishers to produce and market electronic, User preference in many cases (anywhere, any time access), Space considerations (we’re not getting new buildings), and Consortial pricing packages are often advantageous. However, prices for electronic access rising faster than the rate of inflation.
- Next, Dean Hixson presents on Faculty Needs and Perceptions. The Faculty Survey opened September 19 and closes on October 20. The survey link on library website is here:
- <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/fau-libraries-faculty-satisfaction-survey>. Currently, there are responses from ¼ of FAU Faculty. A few of the questions included “In general, how often do you physically visit the FAU Libraries?” In the question, 8% of the faculty answered daily, 19% answered weekly, 25% answered monthly, 25% answered once a semester, 9.5% answered yearly, and 13% answered never. In addition, the next question was “In general, how often do you use the library's electronic services or resources from your office, home or other off-campus location?” In the question, 27% of the faculty answered daily, 47% of the faculty answered weekly, 12% of the faculty answered monthly, 7% of the faculty answered once a semester, 4% of the faculty answered yearly, and 2% of the faculty answered never.
- Finally, Dean Hixson addressed the State of the Facilities: Wimberly. Minor upgrades in Boca Raton in the past 2 years funded by: \$250,000 special allocation for the 5th floor, \$10,000 gift from University Club for Graduate Lounge, \$14,000 gift from Lifelong Learning Society for some painting and branding, Tech fee money to upgrade computers and study room equipment, and Funds from Auxiliary accounts for limited branding, painting, furnishings, and new service desk.
- Upcoming faculty forums include two faculty forums being scheduled in November in the Wimberly Library with streaming available for Jupiter and Harbor Branch.

**5. UPC Consent Agenda**

- a. No agenda

**6. UPC Action Items**

- a. No agenda

**7. UGC Consent Agenda**

- a. No agenda

**8. UGC Action Agenda**

- a. No agenda

## **9. Business Items**

- a. No items

## **10. Open Forum with the Provost**





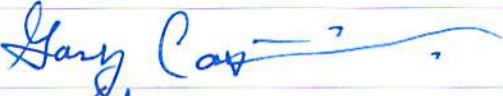

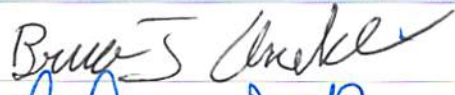
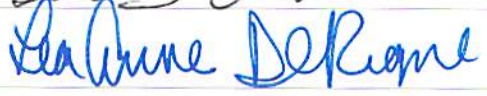

- Provost Perry announces that the recovery went well after Hurricane Irma. The Office of the Provost have been receiving academic recovery plans from the Deans and Chairs of each College. In addition, the three reading days will now become instructional days.
- Provost Perry thanks everyone that participated in the Explore FAU – Expo this past Saturday. Approximately 2,000 students attended and 200 of the students were admitted to FAU on that day.
- Finally, Provost Perry discusses the Facilities Committee and Budget and Finance Committee workshops from the Florida Board of Governors meeting on October 3rd at Florida Gulf Coast University.

## **11. Good of the Senate**






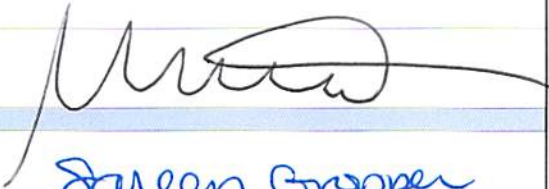




- Dean Deborah Floyd announces that the Three Minute Thesis finals will take place this Friday at 6:30pm in the Lifelong Learning Center. There are 27 competitors and at least once representative from all of the Colleges that offer graduate programs.

## **12. Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm**

# UFS Attendance Sign-In

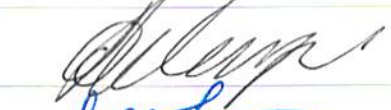





College	Name	Signature
Arts & Letters	1) Mauricio Almonte	
	2) Adam Bradford	
	3) Marshall De Rosa	
	4) Mike Harris	
	5) Jacob Henson	
	6) Max Kirsch	
	7) Brian McConnell	
	8) Manjunath Pendakur	
	9) Chris Robe	
	10) Kevin Wagner	
	11) David Williams	
	<del>Dawn Shamburger (Theatre + Dance)</del> 	
Business	1) Patrick Bernet	
	2) Anil Bilgihan	
	3) Gary Castrogiovanni	
	4) Kim Dunn	
	5) Jim Han	
	6) Anita Pennathur	
Design & Social Inquiry	1) Bruce Arneklev	
	2) LeaAnne DiRigne	
	3) Hugh Miller	
Education	1) Maysaa Barakat	

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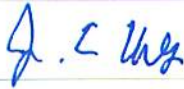
	2)	Susannah Brown	    
	3)	Valerie Bryan	
	4)	Meredith Mountford	
	5)	Robert Zoeller	
Engineering			
	1)	Evangelos Kaisar	
	2)	Hari Kalva	
	3)	Davood Moslemain	
Honors College			
	1)	Veljko Dragojlovic	
	2)	Kevin Lanning	
Medicine			
	1)	Kathleen Guthrie	
	2)	Xupei Huang	
	3)	Morton Levitt	
Nursing			
	1)	Sareen Gropper	
	2)	Joy Longo	
	2)	Teresa Sakraida	
Library			
	1)	Sheri Edwards	
	2)	Ethan Fenichel	
Science			
	1)	Fred Hoffman	
	2)	James Kumi-Diaka	



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	3) Theodora Leventouri	
	4) Steve Locke	
	5) Daniela Nikolova	
	6) Lian-fen Qian	
	7) Markus Schmidmeier	
<b>Faculty Assembly Heads</b>		
A&L	Bill Trapani	
BUS	Sharmila Vishwasrao	
D&SI	Cliff McCue	
EDU	Rangasamy Ramasamy	
ENG	Richard Granata	
HBOI	James Sullivan	
HON COL	Rachel Luria	
MED	Mahyar Nouri-Shirazi	
NUR	Shirley Gordon	
SCI	Jerry Haky	
LIB	Victoria Thur	
<b>Committee Chairs</b>		
AFDPC	Marshall De Rosa	
APBC	Kevin Wagner	
Admission & Retention	Rupert Rhodd	

# UFS Attendance Sign-In

Assessment	Nancey France	
Distance Education	Mary Cameron	
Graduate Council	Paul Peluso	
Honors and Awards	Evangelos Kaisar	
Library Advisory	Victoria Thur	
P&T	Cynthia Wilson	
Research	Arlene Fradkin	
UPC	Jerry Haky	
GPC	William McDaniel	
<b>Senate President</b>	Christopher Beetle	
<b>President-Elect</b>	Kevin Wagner	
<b>Non-Voting Members</b>		
President	John Kelly	
Provost	Gary Perry	