

**University Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**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 1:00pm. 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 [April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018](#) UFS Minutes.

**3. President's Report**

- a. Dr. Kevin Wagner welcomes Provost Bret Danilowicz to the University Faculty Senate meeting.
- b. Next, Dr. Wagner reminds the faculty that any proposal out of either the Undergraduate or Graduate programs committee needs to attend the Steering and Senate meetings in the event that a Senator has a specific question.
- c. Finally, the Steering committee will look into the SPOT Forms.

**4. Speakers**

- a. [Stacy Volnick, Vice President, Administrative Affairs and Chief Administrative Officer](#)
  - Stacy Volnick, Sharlene Sookhoo, and Chief Sean Brammer discuss the Owl Ready app.
  - The app can easily access emergency contacts, turn your phone into a mobile blue light, friend walk/virtual walk home, emergency guides for many situations – “What to Do” guides, current weather updates, language translation, and see something, say something.
- b. [Dr. Donna Chamely-Wiik, Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Research](#)
  - Dr. Donna Chamely-Wiik presents Distinction through Discovery: Expanding Undergraduate Research and Inquiry.
  - The Office of Undergraduate Research and Inquiry three goals are Curricular Initiatives, Co-Curricular URI student opportunities, and Faculty and Student Support and Recognition.
  - Goal 1: Curricular will focus on Curriculum Grants Program, Research Intensive Designation (RI): course designation, and Directed Independent Research (DIR): option including zero credit for faculty mentored research.
  - Goal 2: Co-Curricular Initiatives include Internal Funding, Showcasing, and Publishing.
  - In a 5 year snapshot of Student Involvement in URI:
  - Curricular: Curriculum grants, WHC graduates, Honors in the Major graduates, HBOI semester by the sea, NSF LEARN, RI designation, DIR, UHP students, FLC (research-exposed) students.
  - Co-Curricular: Funded Participation: OURI grants and SURF, Broward Grants, FAU Wave, HBOI research program, John NambuSummer Fellowships, WHC Summer Fellowships.
  - Presentations: Boca, Broward and Jupiter symposium, Senior Engineering Design showcase, FAU Business Plan competition, External presentations (self-reported).
  - Publications: FAURJ, AtheneNoctua (Philosophy), FAU Law Journal, Coastlines, Remarque, CompOWLation, External Publication (self-reported).
  - Goal 3: Faculty and Student Support and Recognition include:
  - Faculty monetary for Curriculum Grants Program, Distinguished Mentor of the Year, URI College Faculty Liaisons, Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships, Travel to the

Undergraduate Research Conference and Support for RI designation courses. In addition, there is an annual faculty recognition reception.

- Goal 4: Culture Shift starts with the accomplishments: increase in faculty and student engagement in URI, inclusion of UR language in Promotion and Tenure, Regional and National involvement: hosting events at FAU, NSF funding, and National Recognition: CUR AURA Award.
- To conclude, the next steps of the OURI 5-year strategic plan include Chair survey, Faculty survey, Student feedback, and partner campus feedback.

## 5. UPC Consent Agenda

- a. EVR 4112 - EVR Natural Hazards, Climate and Society, EVR 4114 – Climate Change: Myths, Realities and Solutions, and GIS 4115 – Geospatial Databases was taken off of the consent agenda and moved to the action agenda. Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

## 6. UPC Action Items

- a. College of Science
  - *EVR 4112 – Natural Hazards, Climate and Society*
  - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
  - *EVR 4114 – Climate Change: Myths, Realities and Solutions*
  - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
  - *GIS 4115 – Geospatial Databases*
  - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- b. College of Arts and Letters
  - *Legal History Concentration*
  - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- c. College of Education
  - *Bachelor of Early Care and Education*
  - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- d. College of Science
  - *Add PSY 3234 to several psychology courses and to minor*
  - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
  - *Introduction to Calculus with Applications*
  - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

## 7. UGC Consent Agenda

- Motion to approve. No objections from the Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

## 8. UGC Action Agenda

- a. No items.

## 9. Business Items

a. [FAU Policies & Procedures Committee](#)

- Motion for President Wagner to receive the authorization from the Senate to request a Senator to be a member of the FAU Policies and Procedures Committee. No objections from the Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

**10. Open Forum with the Provost**



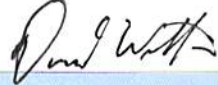


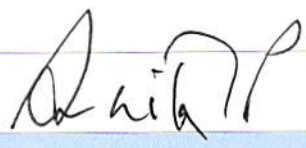
- Provost Danilowicz begins his open forum by discussing increasing the attendance at the University Faculty Senate meetings.
- Next, the Provost discusses his goals for the academic budget which include an incremental based budget and decentralization into the colleges.

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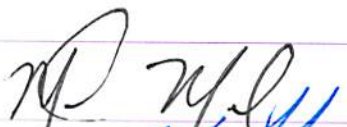



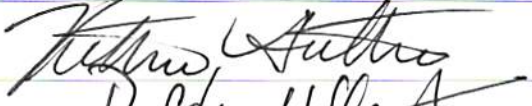
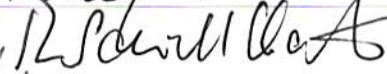
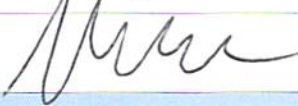



- Dr. Markus Schmidmeier discusses college rankings. FAU is ranked #72 in environment metrics.
- Dr. Chris Beetle discusses the late withdrawal date. Dr. Paul Peluso will put the late withdrawal date discussion on the next Graduate Programs Committee agenda.
- Dr. Fred Hoffman discusses concentrations in the BGS degree. Dean Ed Pratt and the colleges will bring data from the BGS degrees at a future meeting.
- Dr. Kevin Wagner will look into registration deadlines.
- Dr. Kevin Wagner discusses faculty attendance.

**12. Meeting adjourned at 2:52pm.**

# 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	
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) Wendy Guastafarro	
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)	Rainald Schmidt-Kastner	
	3)	Morton Levitt	
Nursing	1)	<del>Sareen Gropper</del> Terry Eggenberger	
	2)	Joy Longo	
	2)	<del>Teresa Sakraida</del> Shirley Gordon	
Library	1)	Bruce Barron	
	2)	Sheri Edwards	
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 2.	
ENG		Richard Granata	
HBOI		James Sullivan	
HON COL		Rachel Luria	
MED		Mahyar Nouri-Shirazi	
NUR		Shirley Gordon	
SCI		Jerry Haky	
LIB		Lawrence Mello	
<b>Committee Chairs</b>			
AFDPC		Marshall De Rosa	
APBC		Kevin Wagner	
Admission & Retention		Rupert Rhodd	

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

