

**Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
February 16, 2017
BOT Conference Room, 2pm – 4pm**

Members Present: Chris Beetle, Kevin Wagner, Kim Dunn, Paul Peluso, Susan Dyess, and Dilys Schoorman

Guests: Donna Chamely-Wiik, Arcadia Betancourt, Debra Szabo, Ed Pratt, Deborah Floyd, Paul Hart, and Gary Perry

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Chair, Dr. Chris Beetle.
2. The UFS Steering minutes from [January 19th, 2017](#) were approved by the committee.
3. **President's Report:**
 - a. Dr. Chris Beetle announces that Dr. Kim Dunn, the Faculty Athletics Representative will give her annual report at the upcoming Faculty Senate meeting. Also, Pat Chun, the Vice President of Athletics will give an update on Athletics at the upcoming Faculty Senate meeting as well.
 - b. Finally, the Campus Civil Liberties Committee had one document circulated and there is a DACA resolution later in the agenda that is a product of this committee. Dr. Beetle is also waiting on clarification on posters from an outside organization.
4. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)
 - There are no objections. The consent agenda stands **approved**.
5. UPC Action Agenda
 - There is no agenda this month.
6. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)
 - There are no objections. The consent agenda stands **approved**.
7. [UGC Action Items](#)
 - There is no agenda this month.
8. **Business Items**
 - a. [Weapons on Campus Resolution](#)
 - Dr. Chris Beetle presents the "Weapons on Campus Resolution" Draft Resolution.
 - Dr. Paul Peluso motions to add the "Weapons on Campus Resolution" to the Business items at the upcoming University Faculty Senate meeting. Dr. Susan Dyess seconds.
 - **"Weapons on Campus Resolution" will be added to the Business Items for the upcoming University Faculty Senate meeting on February 27th, 2017.**
 - b. [DACA Resolution](#)
 - Dr. Chris Beetle presents the "DACA Resolution".

- Dr. Dilys Schoorman motions to add the “DACA Resolution” to the Business items at the upcoming University Faculty Senate meeting. Dr. Susan Dyess seconds.
 - **“DACA Resolution” will be added to the Business Items for the upcoming University Faculty Senate meeting on February 27th, 2017.**
- c. Performance Metrics Discussion
- Dr. Chris Beetle holds a discussion on the performance metrics.
 - There is one change on the performance metric model, which is now the cost of the degree for the student.
 - There has been a discussion in the Florida Legislature to change the six-year graduation rate to the four-year graduation rate. There would be a year and a half delay with the scores for this new metric.

9. Open forum with the Provost

- Provost Perry begins his open forum by discussing the importance of providing a robust summer, which needs to consist of upper division courses. Provost Perry is meeting with Interim Vice President of Finance, Art Kite to discuss funding for the summer semester.
- Next, Provost Perry asks the faculty to focus on student success, engaging the students, and submitting their grades on time.
- Moving forward, FAU has considered block tuition and the Florida Legislature is currently in discussion as well. Block tuition would reduce the price of credit hours for students and give students the opportunity to graduate within four years.
- Finally, Jeff Atwater, Chief Financial Officer of Florida will become the new Vice President of Finance for FAU.

10. Good of the Steering Committee

- a. No Items

11. Meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

