

**University Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**April 27, 2020**  
**Webex, 1:00PM – 3:00PM**

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Dr. Kevin Wagner at 1:00pm. The meeting was held on Webex.

2. **With positive approval**, the Senate approved [March 30, 2020](#) UFS Minutes.

### 3. President's Report

- a. Dr. Kevin Wagner begins his report by announcing the results from the Academic Planning and Budget Committee election. The three new committee members are Dr. Fred Hoffman, Dr. Anita Pennathur and Dr. Paul Peluso.

### 4. Guest Speakers

- a. Standing Committee Reports
  - o Dr. Chris Beetle reports that the Academic Planning and Budget Committee had a pair of open meetings in which the Provost and his staff outlined the Academic Affairs budget. There will be a continued effort to do this next fall. The committee reviewed an annual course inventory process. In addition, the committee proposals regarding the academic calendar and SPOT calendar.
  - o [Dr. Steve Engle reports on the Faculty Athletic Representative Report](#). Major academic performance activities included evaluation and comparison of academic metrics, including missed classed days, evaluation and comparison of qualifications of newly admitted student-athletes, observer role in Canvas. Major institutional control activities included the review of agreed upon procedures report, review of mandatory compliance review and implementation schedule, role of University Chief Compliance Office in Athletic Compliance, procedure for investigating potential infractions and booster education. Major activities for student-athlete well-being included informational resource sheet for student-athletes who discontinue participation mental health best practices, template for documenting medical absences and Student-Athlete Handbook.
  - o [Dr. Evangelos Kaisar reports that the Honors and Awards Committee](#) reviewed and nominated awards for the Talon Awards, Emeritus Faculty Awards, Honorary Degrees and Faculty Honors and Awards. There were 10 Emeritus Faculty in 2019-2020.
  - o Dr. LeaAnne DeRigne reports the Policy Committee are working on revising the syllabi requirements, faculty-student relationship policy and a creation of a new faculty rank.
  - o Dr. Renat Shaykhutdinov reports that the Research Committee reviewed applications for university-wide research grants and researcher/scholar of the year awards.

- Dr. Diane Sherman reports that the Promotion and Tenure Committee reviewed 59 cases this year. Currently the colleges are updating their P&T documents. There were open forums this morning for Tenure and Non-Tenure track meetings this morning.

## 5. UPC Consent Agenda

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

## 6. UPC Action Items

### a. College of Arts and Letters

- *Minor in Linguistics*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *Commercial Music Minor*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

### b. College of Business

- *Honors in Economics*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

### c. College of Education

- *Early Childhood Environmental Education*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

### d. College of Engineering and Computer Science

- *Civil, Environmental and Geomatics Engineering*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *Cooperative Education Program for Computer Engineering, Computer Science and Electrical Engineering.*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *Data Science Certificate*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *Self-Supporting Bachelor of Science in Computer Science with Professional Specialized Track*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

### e. Honors College

- *Honors College BA or BS in Math/Science MS in Applied Mathematical and Statistics*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

### f. College of Science

- *BS in Medical Biology*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *BS in Data Science and Analytics*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *BS in Math/MS in Applied Mathematical Sciences and Statistics*
- 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. **College of Business**

- *MS with Major in Supply Chain Management*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

### b. **College of Engineering and Computer Science**

- *BA, BS in Biological and Physical Sciences/MS in Artificial Intelligence*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

## 9. **Business Items**

### a. [2020-2021 SPOT Dates](#)

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

### b. SPOT Discussion

- After discussion, Dr. Wagner will create a committee to review SPOTS in the fall.

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

- Provost Danilowicz begins his open forum stating that the University has been charged with distributing 11.2 million to our students and 11.2 million to support losses on campus.
- Provost Danilowicz will be hosting a coffee with the Provost bi-weekly with Academic Affairs.
- We have over 200 volunteers calling students. The focus is on retention for the fall semester.

## 11. **Open Forum with the Senate**

- No Items.

**12. New Business**

- No Items.

**13. Good of the Senate**

- No Items.

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