

**University Faculty Senate Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**Friday February 5, 2010**  
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1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Tim Lenz at 2:08p.m. The meeting took place in the BOT Room located on the third floor of the Administration Building, on the Boca Raton Campus, and via video conference at the Treasure Coast Campus, the MacArthur Campus, the SeaTech Campus, the Fort Lauderdale Campus, and the Davie Campus.

Members Present: Edgar An, Bruce Arneklev, Charlotte Barry, Pierre-Philippe Beaujean, Ernest Andrew Brewer, Doug Broadfield, Valerie Bryan, Lester Embree, Mary Faraci, Deborah Floyd, Joseph Furner, James Gray, Jerry Haky, Mike Harris, Michele Hawkins, Fred Hoffman, Mehdi Kaighobadi, Kathryn Keller, James Kumi Diaka, Kevin Lanning, Tim Lenz, Stephen Locke, Bill McDaniel, Tom Monson, Abhijit Pandya, Gary Parsons, Howard Prentice, John Pritchett, Marguerite Purnell, Deborah Raines, Gary Rose, Markus Schmidmeier, Dilys Schoorman, Eric Shaw, Lydia Smiley, Allen Smith, Khaled Sobhan, Jane Strudwick, Julie Honeycutt

Guests Present: Deborah Hohan, David Lee, Sharon Crawley, Mike Armstrong, Ellen S. Eisenberg, Deborah L. Cunningham, Debbie Louda, Chris Burns, Marc Kantorow, Morton Levitt, James Nichols, Zhongwei Li, R. Ramasamy, Mahyar Nouri Shirazi, Keith Brew, Yoshimi Shibata, Peter Holland, Willis Paull, Joseph Ouslander, Ceylan Isgor, Ewa Wojcikiewicz, Vijaya Iragavarapu

2. President's Report: (Tim Lenz)  
-(please see attached report)
3. UFS Action Item  
-Medical Education Proposal  
-Jerry Haky said that he had a reservation about the amount of faculty participation in the preparation of the proposal for this program. The faculty are expected to make a rushed decision in the end without sufficient time to consider the proposal. He feels that the participation of faculty is important.  
-Jerry Haky also was concerned on the omitting of the College of Science's PhD programs being expressly a part of the PhD/MD program.  
  
-Dr. Pritchett said that the premise of the medical school began with the question of what was going to make the program unique and that is where Scripps came in. They are already located on the Jupiter campus. There was never any intention that a student couldn't participate in a PhD

program in the College of Science instead of with Scripps. The students in the MD/PhD program can also choose to participate in FAU's PhD program.

-Dr. Pritchett said that the timing of the program is based on the bridge agreement expiring this coming June. The bridge agreement specifically forbids any formal pursuit of a stand alone program. The administration had to first abrogate the agreement and then and only then could they move forward. But this process of abrogating the agreement caused the need to have an expedited process. It is an unusual situation.

-Fred Hoffman said that although at the end the faculty senate was included, they were not included when the document was created. He felt that the document could have been better if the faculty had been a part of it. Faculty governance should be taken into more consideration.

-Jim Gray asked are there contingencies should the economic situation get worse to protect other programs besides this one. Dr. Pritchett said that the tuition that FAU will be collecting will be more than enough to cover the program. Even if there are additional decreases on the budget, the tuition income is sufficient. Dr. Pritchett said that money will absolutely not be diverted from other areas of the University to cover this program.

-Doug Broadfield asked if the current funds are sufficient for a class of 64 or are there additional funds needed on top of that or are you anticipating the tuition costs to cover that?

-Mike Friedland said that they will benefit from the tuition increase and that coupled with the State appropriation funds will be adequate for the program.

-Fred Hoffman asked how these figures compare with the UCF and FIU programs.

-Mike Friedland said that the tuition that we are going to charge is the average of the SUS medical school tuitions. The cost per student is different because FAU will be using community based physicians. They will be paid for the time that we use. Harvard is the best example of a community based clinical piece to the medical school.

-Tim Lenz asked, with regards to the dual enrollment component, who will control the fourth year of the medical education curriculum, Scripps or FAU?

-Mike Friedland said that the dually enrolled students would have a different fourth year than the traditional medical student.

-Dilys Schoorman said that there is a concern that the curriculum of the fourth year program still resides with the faculty. It should be clear that FAU has governance over that fourth year of the medical program.

-Tim Lenz said that this question was addressed in the graduate programs committee. It was decided that the curriculum be submitted to the faculty governing body in a timely manner and keep in mind that they do not meet over the summer.

-Jerry Haky said that he wanted to make it clear that in the revised version that there will be a specific program in which the PhD faculty in College of Science will be engaged and will be allowed to take students in this program. -Mike Friedland said that he would do that.

-Jerry Haky said UCF and giving four year scholarships to the first year medical students. How is FAU going to compete with that?

-Mike said that once this program gets approved FAU will make a very strong effort to make a philanthropic base. The scholarships given at the schools in Orlando came from a large gift they were given.

-Mike Friedland also said that the medical students will receive stipends, at least on the Scripps program. That is what happens on this campus now. This is not a short track PhD. This is a regular PhD.

-Mike Harris asked Mike Friedland to speak to the clinical faculty that they intend to hire. Mike said that they will be mostly using community based physicians. We also have commitments from the hospitals for residency programs. There will be an affiliation agreement with Scripps as well.

-John Pritchett answered a question as to what Scripps will receive out of this partnership. Scripps has already received a lot. They get an association with a medical school.

-Dilys Schoorman asked to hear from the Faculty Assembly of Biomedical College and how they feel about it. Gary Rose spoke on behalf of the Biomedical faculty assembly

-Gary said a meeting was conducted four weeks ago with the directors of the faculty assembly and just last week there was a meeting with the whole faculty assembly and there was unanimous support.

-Tim Lenz called for vote on the motion.

#### **Motion was approved**

#### 4. Discussion of slowing down the Presidential Search Process

-Fred Hoffman moved and it was seconded to have a straw vote on allowing President Lenz to express the sense of the attendees to slow down the search process for the President.

-Jim Gray said he would rather slow down the Presidential search and take a look at this new opportunity of the medical program and see if it brings around other candidates.

-Michelle Hawkins said that once again she feels that the faculty are being pushed to a rush decision without proper time for faculty input.

-Michelle also asked where the comments are going from the website. Tim Lenz said that anyone may go to the President's office and look at the hard copy of the faculty's comments. Michelle asked if anyone from the search committee has looked at the comments. Tim Lenz has not looked at them.  
-Michelle asked if anyone from the BoT has looked at the comments. Tim Lenz said that he does not know.

-It was asked if there was a need to make a definite date for making a decision. Fred Hoffman said that Tim Lenz is the person representing the faculty.

- Penelope Fritzer said that many good candidates have been missed at FAU in the past because we took too long.

-Michelle Hawkins said that the deadline is not the problem; it is the timeline after the deadline for faculty input after candidates come to the campus for interviews.

-Tim Lenz said that something in the selection process has changed and that is his concern. The timeframe was announced by the chair of the search committee without the input of the search committee and with some objection.

-Tim Lenz called for a straw vote on the proposal that the faculty ask for a slow down of the search process.

**Approved by voice vote**

4. The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 pm