

University Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
April 3rd, 2017
EE 106, 2:00PM – 4:00PM

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

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Dr. Chris Beetle 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 235), Jupiter (SR 200), and Sea Tech (ST 259)

2. **With positive approval**, the Senate approved [February 27, 2017](#) UFS Minutes.

3. President's Report

- a. Dr. Chris Beetle begins his report with a discussion of the [University Faculty Senate bylaws revision](#). The University Faculty Senate will address the bylaws revision at the May meeting.

4. Speakers

- a. Dr. Mary Cameron, Chair, UFS Distance Education Committee
 - o Dr. Mary Cameron begins her presentation by discussing the 2008 Office Hours Policy. In Fall 2013 the Faculty observations and concerns consisted of mandatory F2F hours for online instructors not update in five years, unevenly applied, and summer online instructors' off-campus research needs. The Senate President at the time Ron Nyhan reinstated the DiSL Committee. In Summer 2014, there was a decision to suspend mandatory F2F office hours for online courses, may substitute with synchronous or asynchronous remote communication. Next, a survey was conducted in February 2015 and the results were that faculty effectively communicate remotely with students. The April 2015 policy revision resulted in the Provost eliminating the mandatory F2F office hours for online courses, instructor's discretion to use synchronous or asynchronous remote communication.
 - o Next, the Florida 2025 SUS Online Strategic Plan consists of FAU online courses stats which will be presented by Assistant Provost for eLearning Dr. Victoria Brown at the next Senate meeting. Select 2025 goals consist of 75% of Undergraduate and 50% of Graduate Studies take at least one online course per year. The FAU Response is intellectual foundations courses, increase online courses, minors, majors, and programs, increase QM and other course quality certifications, an increase OER (Open Educational Resources) use, and colleges, departments, and programs could consider the following options to build their capacity to provide online courses and programs.
 - o Intellectual property rights and online courses consists of complex federal and state laws and multiple creator and unit/program scenarios which equals the university policy – DOR IPP 2013 College Bargaining Agreement.
 - o IPR documents include the FAU Division of Research IPP 2013 (DOR IPP), UFF Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) 2015-2018, FAU support units which include policy such as Cel and no policy such as WAC and OURI.
 - o Faculty members own their online courses with independent efforts. Faculty members do not own university supported works, institutional works, regular instructional works, and contractual works. Faculty members might own regular instructional works and canvas converted courses not previously owned by FAU.

- To conclude, the DiSL Committee Recommendations on IPP include receiving input from the faculty and meet with DOR, TT and others to review IPP policy in light of faculty input, AAUP recommendations, and SUS practices.
- b. Chief Sean Brammer, FAU Police
- Chief Sean Brammer begins his presentation by addressing the Senate that the FAU Police Department is a full staff Police department and can only move 1,000 feet of FAU borders. The FAU Police patrols the campus 24/7 and a full dispatch.
 - Next, the Police Department has a safety app called “FAU Guardian” for smart phones. The emergency button will be at your disposal if the Faculty, Staff, or Student member has an fau.edu email. The new system called “Next Gen” will allow faculty, staff, and students text 911 by the Fall semester.
 - Finally, Chief Brammer is working with Azita Dashtaki Dotiwala from the Division of Facilities to allow each College to purchase parking spots and review more spaces for Faculty and Staff members.

5. UPC Consent Agenda

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

6. UPC Action Items

- a. Undergraduate Studies
- *Deadline for declaring a major required course*
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- b. College of Arts and Letters
- *Minor in Theatre*
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- c. College of Engineering and Computer Science
- *Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering*
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

7. UGC Consent Agenda

- a. EEE-5324: Silicon Integrated Circuit Fabrication 3, EEE-5425: Nanobiotechnology 3, PhD in Computer Science, PhD in Computer Engineering, PhD in Electrical Engineering, Program Change PhD in Mechanical Engineering N/A, and the Program Change PhD in Ocean Engineering moved to the UGC Action Agenda.
- b. Motion to approve the remainder of the UGC Consent Agenda. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

8. UGC Action Agenda

- a. College of Engineering and Computer Science
- *EEE-5324: Silicon Integrated Circuit Fabrication 3, EEE-5425: Nanobiotechnology 3, PhD in Computer Science, PhD in Computer Engineering, PhD in Electrical Engineering, Program*

Change PhD in Mechanical Engineering N/A, and the Program Change PhD in Ocean Engineering

- Motion to approve. No objections from the Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *BSEE/MSCpE Combined Program*
- Motion to approve. No objections from the Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

b. College of Nursing

- *BSN-DNP & MSN/MSN PMC*
- Motion to approve. No objections from the Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

9. Business Items

d. [Revised Principals for P&T Criteria](#)

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

e. [Academic Service-Learning Designation Process](#)

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

f. [Revision to the Weapons on Campus Resolution](#)

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

g. [Degree Proposal for Marine Science and Oceanography – CIP: 30.3201](#)

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

h. [Discussion of SB 104: Computer Coding Instruction](#)

- The Senate proposed the Steering committee to write a proposed draft for the next Senate meeting. One objection from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

i. Steering Committee & Academic Planning and Budget Committee Elections

- Dr. Daniel Meeroff nominates Dr. Evangelos Kaisar and Dr. Markus Schmidmeier nominates Dr. Frederick Hoffman to the Academic Planning and Budget Committee.
- The University Faculty Senators will vote for three candidates out of the five nominations starting next week via email. The candidates for the Academic Planning and Budget Committee consist of Dr. Frederick Hoffman, Dr. Evangelos Kaisar, Dr. Morton Levitt, Dr. Meredith Mountford and Dr. Jesse Saginor.
- Next, the Steering Committee consists of Dr. Kim Dunn and Dr. Bruce Arneklev.
- Dr. Mike Harris nominates himself to serve on the Steering Committee.
- Motion to elect the Steering committee as is which will consist of Dr. Kim Dunn, Dr. Bruce Arneklev, and Dr. Mike Harris. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

10. Open Forum with the Provost

- Provost Perry begins his announcement by congratulating Dr. Mary Cameron on her Distance Learning presentation. The Board of Governors accrued the implementation SUS strategic plan for online education 2025. The strategic plan will have FAU share online courses with other institutions.
- Next, the recent Board of Governors meeting discussed the Senate and House bills on Higher Education. The discussion included a possible switch to a four-year metric from a six-year metric next year and the fall 2018 block tuition policy. There is also a discussion to increase bright futures funding in the summer semester and a notion to recruit world class

faculty. Finally, there was a discussion of an implementation for a civics proficiency course for all Higher Education institutions.

- Moving forward, there are three Dean's searches underway. Dr. Russ Ivy is leading the College of Engineering & Computer Science Dean's search, Dean Valerie Bristor is leading the College for Design and Social Inquiry Dean's Search and Dean Carol Hixson is leading the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters Dean's Search. There are final candidates for the College of Engineering & Computer Science as well as the College for Design and Social Inquiry. The Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters Dean's search is moving forward and the interim Dean will be announced in the next week.


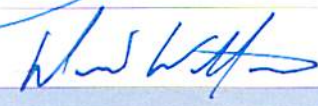




11. Good of the Senate

- No Items

12. Meeting adjourned at 3:58pm

UFS Attendance Sign-In

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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) Bill Bosshardt	
	3) Gary Castrogiovanni	
	4) Kim Dunn	
	5) Anita Pennathur	
	6) Jim Han	
	7) Anil Bilgihan	
Design & Social Inquiry	1) Bruce Arneklev	
	2) Allan Barsky	
	3) Hugh Miller	
Education	1) Yash Bhagwanji	





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	2)	Susannah Brown	
	3)	Valerie Bryan	
	4)	Meredith Mountford	<i>UP M. 12</i>
	5)	Dilys Schoorman	
	6)	Robert Zoeller	
Engineering	1)	Evangelos Kaisar	
	2)	Hari Kalva	
	3)	Davood Moslemain	<i>Davood Moslemain</i>
Honors College	1)	Kevin Lanning	
	2)	Veljko Dragojlovic	<i>Veljko Dragojlovic</i>
Medicine	1)	Kathleen Guthrie	<i>Kathleen Guthrie</i> <i>Morton Levitt</i>
	2)	Xupeu Hung	
	3)	Morton Levitt	
Nursing	1)	Susan Dyess	
	2)	Cynthia Archibald	
Library	1)	Allison DeLuca	
	2)	Sheri Edwards	<i>Sheri Edwards</i>
Science	1)	Fred Hoffman	<i>Fred Hoffman</i>
	2)	James Kumi-Diaka	
	3)	Steve Locke	
	4)	Daniela Nikolova	


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	5)	Lian-fen Qian	
	6)	Evonne Rezler	
	7)	Markus Schmidmeier	
Faculty Assembly Heads			
A&L		Kevin Wagner	
BUS		C.M. Sashi	
D&SI		Cliff McCue	
EDU		Philomena Marinaccio	
ENG		Amir Abtahi	
HBOI		Laurent Cherubin	
HON COL		Veljko Dragojlovic	
MED		Mahyar Nouri-Shirazi	
NUR		Shirley Gordon	
SCI		Jerry Haky	
LIB		Victoria Thur	
Committee Chairs			
AFDPC		Marshall De Rosa	
APBC		Kevin Wagner	
Admission & Retention		Rupert Rhodd	
Assessment		Nancey France	
Distance Education		Mary Cameron	

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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	
Senate President	Christopher Beetle	
President-Elect	Kevin Wagner	
Non-Voting Members		
President	John Kelly	
Provost	Gary Perry	