

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

March 22nd, 2018 (2pm – 4pm)

BOT Conference Room

Members Present: Kevin Wagner, Bruce Arneklev, Chris Beetle, Kim Dunn, Michael Harris, Morton Levitt, Meredith Mountford, and Paul Peluso.

Guests: Mark Dicorcia, Michele Hawkins, Laura Backstran, and Tracy Baker.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Chair, Dr. Kevin Wagner
2. The UFS Steering minutes from [February 15th, 2018](#) were approved by the committee.
3. **President's Report:**
 - a. Dr. Kevin Wagner announces that after the nominations close at the next Senate meeting, elections will be open for a week.
 - b. Next, there will be three guest speakers for the next Senate meeting – Dean Phillip Boiselle, Head Football Coach Lane Kiffin and FAU Athletics, and Dean Carol Hixson and Dr. Victoria Brown.
 - c. Finally, Dr. Wagner discusses the memorandum on UGC Consent and Action Agenda items and thanks Dr. Paul Peluso for distribution to the Steering Committee.
4. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)
 - There are no objections. The consent agenda stands **approved**.
5. [UPC Action Agenda](#)
 - a. **College of Arts and Letters**
 - *English B.A.*
 - Dr. Chris Beetle motions to move the English B.A. with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Paul Peluso seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.
 - *Peace, Justice and Human Rights*
 - Dr. Paul Peluso motions to move the Peace, Justice and Human Rights with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Kim Dunn seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.
 - *Honors Program in Sociology*
 - Dr. Paul Peluso motions to move the Honors Program in Sociology with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Mort Levitt seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.
 - *Philosophy B.A.*
 - Dr. Chris Beetle motions to move the Philosophy B.A. **back to the consent agenda**. Dr. Paul Peluso seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.
 - b. College of Engineering and Computer Science
 - *Bachelor of Science in Geomatics Engineering changing to Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology*
 - Dr. Kim Dunn motions to move the Bachelor of Science in Geomatics Engineering changing to Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology with a **positive**

recommendation from Steering. Dr. Michael Harris seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.

c. College of Science

- *Environmental Science Certificate*
- Dr. Michael Harris motions to move the Environmental Science Certificate with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Meredith Mountford seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.
- *FAU Max Planck Honors Program*
- Dr. Meredith Mountford motions to move the FAU Max Planck Honors Program with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Mort Levitt seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.

6. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)

- There are no objections. The consent agenda stands **approved**.

7. [UGC Action Items](#)

a. College of Medicine

- *Doctorate of Medicine*
- Dr. Chris Beetle motions to move the Doctorate of Medicine with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Meredith Mountford seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.

b. Office of the Provost/Center for Global Engagement

- *Graduate International Admission Policy on 3+1 year or 3+2 year Degree*
- Dr. Chris Beetle motions to move the Graduate International Admission Policy on 3+1 year or 3+2 year Degree with a **positive recommendation from Steering with an approved change – Bachelor’s becomes Bachelor’s Degree Equivalent and Master’s becomes Master’s Degree Equivalent**. Dr. Meredith Mountford seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.

8. Business Items

a. Procedures for Selecting Textbooks and Instructional Materials for Affordability

- [Memorandum](#)
- [Form](#)
- Dr. Chris Beetle motions to leave the Procedures for Selecting Textbooks and Instructional Materials for Affordability **on the Senate agenda as a Business Item**. Dr. Paul Peluso seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.

b. [ASL Courses](#)

- Dr. Chris Beetle motions to move the ASL Courses with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Meredith Mountford seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.

9. Open forum with the Provost

- Provost Perry begins his open forum by addressing the need for the Athletics Department as an integral part of FAU and has helped increase the number of applications.
- Next, FAU surpassed 10,000 applications as of last week.
- Finally, Provost Perry will make an announcement on the new Interim Graduate Dean at the next Senate meeting.

10. Good of the Steering Committee

- a. Dr. Kevin Wagner announces that Happy Hour will be on April 2nd in the Atrium immediately following the Senate meeting.

11. Meeting adjourned at 3:37pm.

