

University Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
November 16, 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 [October 12, 2020](#) UFS Minutes.

3. President's Report

- a. Dr. Kevin Wagner begins his report by announcing that Dr. Bill Trapani won the Steering election.
- b. Nominations are closing for the Academic Planning and Budget committee seat after today's meeting. The election will be held for ten days.

4. Guest Speakers

a. Vice President Stacy Volnick

- We are continuing to follow protocols about positive cases on campus.
- The AWA process will continue to consider high risk employees as well as 65 years or older.
- We will have a formalized testing strategy where we are considering random testing for an appropriate percentage of the population.

5. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)

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

6. [UPC Action Items](#)

a. College of Engineering and Computer Science

- *Artificial Intelligence (New Minor)*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *Artificial Intelligence (New Certificate)*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

b. College of Science

- *Pharmaceutical Technology Certificate Program*
- 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 Science

- *Postbaccalaureate Research Education Program in Chemistry (PREChem) Certificate*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

9. Business Items

a. Resolution on Scheduling

b. Resolution from UFF

- Motion to approve both items as a joint resolution. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

10. New Business

- No items.

11. Open Forum with the Provost

- Provost Danilowicz discusses universities working with group associations. After discussion, Dr. Wagner will invite Vice President David Kian to discuss legal rules regarding group associations with FAU faculty and units.
- Next, the Student Mental Health summit success has led to a Thrive conversation in January. As of now, half of the faculty are using Kognito software.
- After discussion, Dr. Wagner will invite Acting Vice President Larry Faerman to discuss hate speech on campus.
- After discussion, Dr. Wagner will invite Assistant Dean Joel Herbst to discuss the status of slattery.
- Finally, Brian Hodge will be working on in-person with remote option and mandatory in-person clarification.

12. Open Forum with the Senate

- No Items.

13. New Business

- No Items.

14. Good of the Senate

- No Items.

15. Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.