



**University Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
January 30, 2023
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Engineering East Room 106**

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Dr. Kim Dunn at 1:00 pm. The meeting was held in Engineering East Room 106.
2. Senate approved [December 5, 2023](#) UFS Minutes by unanimous consent.
3. President's Report
 - Dr. Dunn reported on her attendance at the Business Leader of the Year Breakfast hosted by our College of Business.
 - Dr. Dunn reported on her attendance at FAU's Annual Faculty and Staff diversity Symposium.
 - Dr. Dunn provided the date and location of the next BOG meeting, Jan 24-25, 2023 at Florida International University, Miami – agenda posted on website.
 - Dr. Dunn reported BOG data request on DEI and gender dysphoria.
 - Dr. Dunn provided the date of the next BOT meeting, February 14, 2023.
 - Dr. Dunn provided the date of the next presidential search meeting, January 26, 2023.
 - Dr. Dunn reported that there are 4 proposed regulations on the BOG website; 3 out of the 4 of the proposed regulations are direct results of BOG amendments.
 - Dr. Dunn reported name change of Office of Equity and Inclusion to Civil Rights and Title IX.
 - Dr. Dunn announces Francis McAfee has been posthumously awarded the rank of Faculty Emeritus in the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters
 - Dr. Dunn reported that President Stacy Volnick was named to the City and State South Florida Power 100.
 - Dr. Dunn discussed Safety Committee.
 - Dr. Dunn gave an update on the syllabus software and on the curriculum change process.

4. Guest Speakers

- Brad Levine, Chair, FAU Board of Trustees gave an update on the Presidential Search Committee.
- Stacy Volnick, Interim FAU President, gave an update on her first month as Interim FAU President.
- Dr. Julie Golden-Botti, Assistant Provost, Center for Online and Continuing Education, discussed various faculty opportunities such as stipends for working on online courses and so on. She also announced that they are opening a brand-new faculty digital media studio.

5. Committee Reports

- Academic Planning and Budgeting Committee, Kevin Wagner, Chair
 - [University Calendar – Wednesday as a non-Instructional day with the 3 reading days retained proposal.](#)
 - Kevin Wager presented the Wednesday as a non-Instructional day with the 3 reading days retained proposal.
 - Maria Jennings from the Registrar’s Office discussed the research related to the proposed change - proposal to make the Wednesday before Thanksgiving a holiday for students beginning in Fall 2023.
 - **Approved by majority vote.**
- [Safety Committee](#)
 - Dr. Dunn encouraged faculty senate to review the 2022 Claim Activity; any questions should be directed to her.

6. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)

- Positive recommendation from Steering. **Approved by unanimous consent.**

7. UPC Action Agenda

None.

8. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)

- Positive recommendation from Steering. **Approved by unanimous consent.**

9. UGC Action Agenda

None.

10. Old Business

No items.

11. Business Items

a. [Faculty Statement on Diversity Equity and Inclusion](#)

- Dr. Dunn discussed the Faculty Statement on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
- Moved to extend changes in document to 9pm. **Approved by majority vote.**

- Moved to form a group that will send any required changes to Steering. **Approved by majority vote.**
- Moved for Steering to incorporate the changes as it deems appropriate and that document in spirit is approved by this body. **Approved by majority vote.**

12. Open Forum with the Provost

- Provost Hawkins discussed the DEI request from the BOG.

13. Open Forum of the Senate

None.

14. Good of the Senate

None.

15. **Meeting adjourned at 3:03pm.**