



**University Faculty Senate Meeting  
Minutes  
February 27, 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 [January 30, 2023](#) UFS Minutes by unanimous consent.
3. President's Report
  - Dr. Dunn informed Senate members that moving forward the attendance sheet will be in alphabetical order by last name and that we will have multiple sheets so senators can quickly sign up as they enter the room.
  - Dr. Dunn gave an update on House Bill 999.
  - Dr. Dunn gave an update on the February 22 BOG meeting; in which the BOG discussed and posted a revised post tenure review on their website. Currently up for public comment.
  - Dr. Dunn announced that at the BOG meeting Richard Corcoran was confirmed as the interim president of New College.
  - Dr. Dunn gave an update on the February 24 BOT meeting; in which we had the approvals on the housing budget, Bachelor of Science and Biomedical Engineering and there was a new board member for the FAU Finance Court approved.
  - Dr. Dunn reported that the BOG discussed several naming elements.
  - Dr. Dunn reported that the regulations discussed at the last Faculty Senate meeting, those regulation changes were approved by the BOG.
  - Dr. Dunn reported on the presidential search committee; there is now a website with public information regarding the search. In addition, there were listening sessions on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Also, they are very close in finalizing additional listening sessions for April 3<sup>rd</sup> which will be held virtually.
  - Dr. Dunn announced that the lead of the search firm will come to speak to Senate at the March meeting.
  - Dr. Dunn announced a Happy Hour with President Volnick on March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4pm-5pm.
  - Dr. Dunn announced the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award, please apply.

- Dr. Dunn announced and congratulated the 2023-2024 sabbatical winners.
4. Guest Speakers
    - Simple Syllabus, Crystal Barger
      - Ms. Barger gave an overview of simple syllabus and answered senate questions.
  5. Committee Reports
    - Steering, Kim Dunn, Chair
    - Policy and Procedures Committee, Meredith Mountford, Chair
    - University Graduate Programs Committee (UGPC), Mihaela Cardei, Chair
    - Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, Regis Fox, Chair
    - Honors and Awards Committee, Evangelos Kaiser, Chair

Each committee reported on the following (this information may also be found in the by laws):

- Meeting schedule
- Members of the Committee
- Charge
- Major Activities
- Election Process

6. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)
  - Positive recommendation from Steering. **Approved by unanimous consent.**
7. [UPC Action Agenda](#)
  - Positive recommendation from Steering. **Approved by unanimous consent.**  
Motion carries.
8. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)
  - Program change for the Master of Education Special Education will be removed from the consent agenda and sent back to the action agenda. Motion carries.
  - Positive recommendation from Steering. **Approved by unanimous consent with the removal of the program change for the Master of Education Special Education.**
  - Program change for the Master of Education Special Education is added back to the consent agenda. Motion carries.
  - **Approved by unanimous consent.**
9. UGC Action Agenda  
None.
10. Old Business  
No items.

11. New Business

12. Open Forum with the Provost

- Interim Provost Hawkins gave an update on the SWAT process.
- Interim Provost Hawkins announced that the basketball team won the Conference USA Championship and will continue to the next game.
- Interim Provost Hawkins reported that accreditation was currently occurring in several colleges.
- Interim Provost Hawkins gave an update on SACS.

13. Open Forum of the Senate

- Union updates
- Discussion of change of major with advisor approval process.
- Discussion of recruitment events at FAU.

14. Good of the Senate

- Reminder and update from Dan Meeroff regarding the midterm grade portal which is currently open.

15. **Meeting adjourned at 2:27pm.**