



Item: AS: A-M

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

Subject: Roll Call and Approval of November 16, 2021 Minutes

PROPOSED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Initiate roll call to document member participation, ensure quorum, and approve the Minutes of November 16, 2021 meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Daniel Cane, Chair	_____
Mr. Brad Levine, Vice Chair	_____
Mr. Anthony Barbar (ex-officio)	_____
Dr. Kimberly Dunn	_____
Mr. Earnie Ellison	_____
Mrs. Barbara Feingold	_____
Mrs. Sherry Murphy	_____
Mr. Maxwell Simonson	_____

PARTICIPATING BOT MEMBERS

Mr. Brent Burns	_____
Mr. Piero Bussani	_____
Mr. Shaun Davis	_____
Mrs. Elycia Morris	_____
Mrs. Linda Stoch	_____



**Committee on Academic and Student Affairs
Meeting Minutes – November 16th, 2021**

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs Chair Daniel Cane called the meeting to order and requested a roll call to confirm a quorum. In addition to Chair Daniel Cane, the following committee members were present: Vice Chair Brad Levine, Trustee Anthony Barbar (*ex-officio*), Trustee Kimberly Dunn, Trustee Earnie Ellison, Trustee Sherry Murphy and Trustee Maxwell Simonson. Also present were the following: Trustee Brent Burns, Trustee Piero Bussani, Trustee Shaun Davis, Trustee Barbara Feingold, and Trustee Elycia Morris.

AS: A-M. Roll Call and Approval of Minutes from the June 8, 2021 Committee on Academic and Student Affairs.

The minutes from the June 8, 2021 meeting was presented for approval. A motion was made to approve the minutes as distributed. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

AS: A-1: Request for Approval of Program Reviews – College of Business

Dean Daniel Gropper, College of Business presents the request for approval of program reviews. The following eleven areas were reviewed this year: Accounting, Economics, Finance, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Health Administration, International Business, Management, Management Information Systems, Marketing, MBA Program, and PhD Program. Common goals were to innovate, engage, create a positive impact, assess; improve, earn recognition, and repeat. Three students were on the Forbes 30 under 30 lists. PhD placements included Marquette University, San Diego State University, and the University of Wisconsin. The Executive Program enrollments generated 20 million in total in the last three years to the College of Business and the University. 10.9 million dollars were raised from philanthropy between 2013 and 2021. The market rate courses brought in 140 million dollars between 2013 and 2021. Building renovations include the Sea Stein Atrium and Pavilion, two video streaming classrooms, and the Trading Room.

A motion is made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: A-2. Request for Approval of Program Reviews – Social Work and Criminal Justice



Dean Naelys Luna, College of Social Work and Criminal presents the request for approval of program reviews. The Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work's Bachelor of Social Work is one of three top programs in the state of Florida based on a monthly earning within one year of graduation. The Master of Social Work is ranked in the U.S. News and World Report Top 100 program. The Doctor of Social Work trains scholarly clinicians for positions of leadership. The School of Criminology and Criminal Justice's Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice is FAU's third-largest undergraduate major. The Master's in Criminology and Criminal Justice focuses on the causes and prevalence of crime and preventing and responding to criminal behavior. The Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work has a 98% job placement rate post-graduation and the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice has an 81% job placement rate post-graduation.

A motion is made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: A-3. Request for Approval of Program Reviews – Urban and Regional Planning

Provost Bret Danilowicz presents the request for approval of the Urban and Regional Planning program review. The Master of Urban and Regional Planning (MURP) is one of four accredited programs in Florida and the only one in the largest metropolitan area in Florida: Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach. MURP students have won the statewide Student Planner of the Year award six times in the past seven years. The Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning (BURP) and Bachelor of Urban Design (BUD) (a STEM program) are the only undergraduate programs in those fields in Florida. The Graduate Pathways program gives qualified BArch, BUD, and BURP students advanced standing in the MURP program. Research strengths include transportation and environmental planning, housing and community development, and health and the built environment. The department collaborates with FAU's I-HEALTH Pillar for innovative initiatives on health aging and the built environment.

A motion is made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: A-4. Request for Approval of Program Reviews – Architecture

Provost Bret Danilowicz presents the request for approval of the Architecture program review. The Bachelor's in Architecture has 173 undergraduate students and a faculty ratio of 10:1. The School of Architecture joined with programs in Graphic Design and Multimedia Studies to form CoDaT (the Center for Design and Technology) on the Ft. Lauderdale campus, creating cutting-edge synergy for the FAU curriculum and community engagement. The Institute for Design and Construction



(IDaC) administers the School of Architecture's self-sustaining programs, offering a certificate program in Construction Management and a 14-Hour course for contractor Florida License Renewal.

A motion is made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: A-5. Request for Approval of Career Readiness Procedures in Compliance with HB 1261

Dr. Larry Faerman, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management presents the request for approval of Career Readiness Procedures in Compliance with HB 1261. During the 2021 legislative session, House Bill 1261 created section 1006.75(3) (a), Florida Statutes, requiring each university to adopt procedures to connect undergraduate students to career planning, coaching, and related programs during the first academic year of the student's enrollment. The procedures established by each university are required to be reviewed and approved by the State University System Board of Governors by March 1, 2022.

During their first academic year of enrollment in a Florida public institution in fall 2022 and thereafter, all undergraduate students must meet the university's established career planning procedures. Undergraduate students include degree-seeking first-time-in-college students, transfer students, or readmitted students and include full-time and part-time students. The procedures will require students to do the following during their first year of enrollment: register with the university's career center, complete a career readiness training module provided by the career center, be directed to the State University System dashboard that presents financial data by academic disciplines of graduates as well as the percentage of graduates who have continued their education beyond the baccalaureate level, and affirmatively indicate that students have been provided with the information required (registration with the career center, career readiness training module, directed to the dashboard) and wage prospects for their declared major.

A motion is made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: A-6. Request for Approval of the 2022 CASA Work Plan

Provost Danilowicz presents the request for approval of the 2022 CASA Work Plan. This work plan is important in order to establish a comprehensive process to streamline Committee actions, improve the information provided to Committee members, create comprehensive programs tied to the University's Strategic Plan, and develop informed decision-making to better serve students, faculty, staff, and other constituencies of Florida Atlantic University.



A motion is made and seconded to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

AS: I-1. Provost's Report

Provost Danilowicz begins his report by stating that the spring semester will be 80% in-person. Two years ago, we were 83% in-person. We are strategically moving courses online. Next, we have been working with Career Services on mapping our general education to career skills. The College of Education and State University System are working on the new employment system. The colleges have increased internships in the past years. Finally, the University is creating a 5-year plan for degrees that will be added or dropped off and the modality of each. We are working with the colleges on this initiative in the spring semester.

AS: I-2. Department Name Change in College of Education

Provost Danilowicz states the department name changes in the College of Education. In academic program reviews in the College of Education, the review team noted that the Department of Teaching and Learning and the Department of Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry share academic degree programs and teaching missions. Accordingly, the review team suggested that the two departments be combined, noting that "such a union could streamline and enhance faculty workloads and research in both departments" and that the combined departments should be "renamed to better reflect the unified department's missions." The faculty members from the two departments have recently joined together under a single new unit that will be known as the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. This new name is consistent with teacher preparation departments throughout the nation and will better articulate the unit's function for marketing and recruitment purposes.

Additionally, the College of Education's Department of Exceptional Student Education currently serves as the home for research-based practices to attend to the changing societal needs of people with disabilities, their families, and the professional who work with them. In recent years, new degree programs that prepare students to teach individuals with learning and behavioral disabilities have been named "special education," which is also the name of comparable departments at both the University of Florida and Florida State University. With this in mind, the unit will be renamed the Department of Special Education.

AS: I-3. Graduate Medical Education Report and Schmidt College of Medicine Update

Interim Dean Sarah Wood, Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine presents the



Graduate Medical Education Report and Schmidt College of Medicine update. The Undergraduate Medical Education/MD degree program launched in 2011. The program is fully accredited and has been ranked in the U.S. News and World Report. The class size is expected to increase to 72 students beginning in 2022. The college has expanded hospital partners to provide adequate clinical sites, specifically nine partners in the region, and added Jupiter Medical Center. The College is currently ranked 96th amongst 155 accredited medical schools which is a 5 point improvement since first ranked in 2019. The College also ranks 24th in diversity. There are 57 active research awards totaling over 27 million dollars. Finally, FAU Medicine Practice launched in 2019 and has over 2,000 patients.

AS: I-4. Spotlight on Computer Science Part-Time Co-op

Dean Stella Batalama, College of Engineering and Computer Science presents the Spotlight on Computer Science Part-Time Co-op. this year, the college is in the top three fastest progressing engineering colleges in the United States. The college also received ABET accreditation for six years (maximum) for all programs. From 2017 to 2021, the college has increased in different areas including external research funding by 164%, average expenditures per faculty per year by 117%, graduate degrees awarded by 40%, and internships by 480%.

The Co-op program balances classroom education with practical hands-on experience through employment before graduation. This includes part-time employment and paid competitive rates. Students work in their field of study and are supervised by full-time industry professionals. Students are evaluated by FAU and industry professionals through a formal review process every semester. There is an option for internship for credit as course electives in their senior year to facilitate the transition to permanent employment. The target audience is FTIC students with 60 or more credit hours. The program projects to enroll 20 students in fall 2022 and 30 students in fall 2023. Finally, industry commitments include companies such as NextEra, Bidtellect, and Novtech.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. **The meeting was adjourned.**