



Item: AS: A-M

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Subject: Roll Call and Approval of February 11, 2020 Minutes

PROPOSED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Initiate roll call to document member participation, ensure quorum, and approve the Minutes of February 11, 2020 meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Brad Levine, Chair _____

Mr. Robert Rubin, Vice Chair _____

Mr. Kevin Buchanan _____

Mr. Shaun Davis (ex-officio) _____

Dr. Michael Dennis _____

Dr. Jeffrey Feingold _____

Mr. Abdol Moabery (ex-officio) _____

Dr. Kevin Wagner _____

PARTICIPATING BOT MEMBERS

Mr. Brent Burns _____

Dr. Malcolm Dorman _____

Ms. Mary Beth McDonald _____

Ms. Elycia Morris _____

Mr. Robert Stilley _____



**Committee on Academic and Student Affairs
Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2020**

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs Chair Brad Levine called the meeting to order and requested a roll call to confirm a quorum. In addition to Chair Brad Levine, the following committee members were present: Vice Chair Robert Rubin, Trustee Kevin Buchanan, Trustee Michael Dennis, Trustee Jeffrey Feingold, Trustee Abdol Moabery (*ex-officio*) and Trustee Kevin Wagner. Also present were the following: Trustee Brent Burns, Trustee Shaun Davis, Trustee Malcolm Dorman, Trustee Mary Beth McDonald, Trustee Elycia Morris and Trustee Robert Stilley.

AS: A-M. Roll Call and Approval of Minutes from the December 6, 2019 Committee on Academic and Student Affairs.

The minutes from the December 6, 2019 meeting were 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 a New Degree Program – CIP 14.9999

Dr. Russ Ivy, Senior Associate Provost for Academic Affairs presents the request for re-approval of the Ph.D. in Transportation and Environmental Engineering. The board originally approved the Ph.D. degree program in Transportation and Environmental Engineering on June 4, 2019. Responding to feedback from the Florida Board of Governors staff, the proposed degree program is presented with revisions to specific sections of the proposal document. The suggested revisions were largely clarifications of areas related to curriculum and student demand. Additionally, an external consultant document was requested to supplement the Hanover report.

The primary goal of the program is to allow students to perform specialized training and research, resulting in a degree that recognizes the student's scholarly competence and their ability to practice, conduct and report original and significant transportation and environmental engineering research. This Ph.D. program will serve Florida's needs by enabling the state to advance, via research and creation of new information and technology, a knowledge-based economy to manage the many environmental stressors on its water, land, air resources and transportation infrastructure, which impacts social and economic opportunities for current and future generations. The proposed Ph.D. program will encompass the fields of transportation engineering and environmental engineering, which is consistent with pressing needs of the state of Florida and the nation. The implementation date would be fall 2020.

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



AS: A-2. Request for Approval of Degree Termination: BBA and BS in Real Estate

Dr. Russ Ivy, Senior Associate Provost for Academic Affairs presents the request for approval to terminate the Bachelor of Business Administration and the Bachelor of Science in Real Estate (both CIP 52.1501). The departure of two tenured faculty in the discipline, combined with weak student interest and negative employment outlook for hires in the real estate job market at the time precipitated the College of Business to suspend the degree program (both the BBA and BS in Real Estate) for the past several years. The College does not have the resources to rebuild the stand-alone real estate degree program and doing so is not in their current strategic plan. Some real estate courses will still be taught within other business degree program offerings in the College. The implementation date will be Spring 2020 and the degree program (both the BBA and BS in Real Estate) has not been accepting new students since being placed on suspension in 2008. There has been no student enrollment since 2009 in the BS and 2013 in the BBA. The proposed termination will have no negative impact to the institution or to FAU faculty and students. Remaining FAU faculty offering real estate-themed courses have their tenure in other departments in the College of Business.

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

AS: I:1. Provost's Update

Dr. Russ Ivy, Senior Associate Provost for Academic Affairs informs the Board of Trustees that the College for Design and Social Inquiry has been re-organized. The School of Architecture and the School of Design and Social Inquiry will move to the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters. The School of Urban & Regional Planning will move to the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science. Finally, the Phyllis and Harvey Sandler School of Social Work and the School of Criminology & Criminal Justice will remain together to form a new college effective July 1st, 2020.

AS: I:2. Report on Research

Dr. Daniel Flynn, Vice President for Research, gives a general update on the Division of Research, with a focus on opportunities for expanded federal engagement. In FY19, FAU submitted 617 grant applications and requested \$249 million. FAU received \$58 million in research awards and funded 423 awards. 44% of FAU's extramural awards were funded was by the federal government, 18% were funded by federal flow through, 15% were funded by foundations, 12% were funded by state and local government, 6% were funded by corporations and 4% were miscellaneous. There was \$64 million in research expenditures and \$7 million in F&A recovered. Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute had the most awards by college totaling \$18,306,253. The Charles E. Schmidt College of Science had 140 proposals, the most by any college. In FY19, there were 45 invention disclosures, 18 provisional patents, 13 patents filed and 1 patent issued. As of now, in FY20 there are 8 invention disclosures, 1 provisional patent, 17 patents filed and 3 patents issued. In FY19, there was \$221,483 in IP Revenue. There were 7 new FAU-derived startups in FY19. Finally, there are 6 active FAU startups which include PQSecure Technologies, Videopura, Contiguity Spatial Solutions, ExtremeComms Lab, Team SparX and BiUwAVE.



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