



Item: AS: A-M

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

SUBJECT: ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF MARCH 15, 2016 MINUTES

PROPOSED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Initiate roll call to document member participation, ensure quorum, and approve the Minutes of March 15, 2016 meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Daniel Cane, Chair	_____
Dr. Michael Dennis, Vice-Chair	_____
Mr. Anthony Barbar (<i>ex officio</i>)	_____
Dr. Christopher Beetle	_____
Mr. Michael Cairo	_____
Mr. Shaun Davis	_____
Dr. Malcolm Dorman	_____
Dr. Jeffrey Feingold	_____

PARTICIPATING BOT MEMBERS

Ms. Mary Beth McDonald	_____
Mr. Abdol Moabery	_____
Mr. Robert Rubin	_____
Mr. Robert Stilley	_____
Mr. Thomas Workman	_____



**Committee on Academic and Student Affairs
Meeting Minutes – March 15, 2016**

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 Vice Chair Trustee Julius Teske, the following committee members were present: Trustee Anthony Barbar (*ex-officio*), Trustee Christopher Beetle, Trustee Shaun Davis, Trustee Michael Dennis, and Trustee Kathryn Edmunds. Also present was Trustee Jeffrey Feingold, Trustee Mary Beth McDonald, Trustee Abdol Moabery, Trustee Robert Rubin, , Trustee Robert Stilley, and Trustee Thomas Workman.

AS: A-M Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the December 15, 2015 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 Academic Program – B.S. in Environmental Engineering

Dr. Russ Ivy requests approval to offer a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Engineering. Dr. Ivy explains that the program consists largely of classes and use of faculty that currently exists at FAU. Dean Ilyas indicated to the Provost that this degree is a priority for his college and that if any additional resources are needed to offer this program, they would be shifted within the college. The proposal has gone through all the appropriate levels of approval. Dr. Ivy discusses with the Board the concerns that were brought up at the CAPB meeting by FIU. Dean Ilyas speaks to the Board and elaborates more on the CAPB concern, explaining that due diligence has been performed. There is demand for this degree and the 120 credit degree requirement will make it more attractive compared to other universities with 128 credit requirements. Dean Ilyas answers questions from the Board to satisfaction.

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

AS: I-1. Provost's Update

Provost Perry gives update on the Dean searches that are underway. The Honors College Dean search has narrowed it down to four candidates that will coming to campus soon. Dr. Ivy has been chairing the committee. The College of Science Dean search is well underway. Airport interviews are going to be happening soon. Dean Ilyas is chairing that search. The third search that is underway is for the College of Medicine. Dr. Arthur Ross is the Interim Dean and is also chairing the search committee for the College of Medicine Dean. Witt-Kieffer is assisting on all three searches.

Additionally, we've been doing a search for a Director for the Peace, Justice and Human Rights Platform. The search committee has concluded. We currently have an offer on the table. Provost Perry adds that all the candidates for the searches have been outstanding.

Provost Perry gives an update on what the state has been doing. He gives a presentation on the strategic plan that was developed for online education for the SUS to the Board. Provost Perry and Dr. Vicki Brown served on the task force for this plan. Provost Perry goes over some of the details of the plans, specifically the push for more online courses. Provost Perry answers any questions the Board has to satisfaction.

AS: I-2. Update on e-Learning

Dr. Vicki Brown gives a presentation to the Board on e-learning. Dr. Brown shows a video to the Board that contains some statistics and quick facts regarding online education. After the video, Dr. Brown goes over the quality of our online programs and national rankings of some of those programs. She then discusses the amount of fully online programs and plans to add more. A few student comments are shared with the Board regarding online classes and faculty. Lastly, Dr. Brown discusses growth of online education and predicted growth of online programs. Dr. Brown concludes her presentation and answers any questions the Board has to satisfaction.

AS: I-3. Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Report

Dr. Russ Ivy gives a report to the Board on the student learning outcomes for the university's programs and explains how the assessment works. Dr. Ivy is pleased to report that all of our programs are in the database, all of our programs are current, and all of our programs are in compliance with the BOG requirements in this area.

AS: I-4. Report from Student Body President

Kathryn Edmunds gives the Board a presentation of the 2015-2016 Year in Review. She discusses Student Government's accomplishments from the year. Kathryn goes over demographics of student government. She discusses the Student Government Strategic Plan, modeled after the University's Strategic Plan. Their plan includes four goals: Community Engagement, Diversity Inclusion, Owl Pride, and Safety, Wellness & Sustainability. Kathryn talks about students that are involved in local government and state government. She goes over their efforts regarding diversity and inclusion. She discusses the changes for Night Owls. Kathryn mentions the different ways they've improved Owl Pride and wellness of students on campus. Kathryn concludes her presentation and answers any questions the Board has to satisfaction.

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