

**Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters**  
**Faculty Assembly**  
**Minutes**  
**September 9, 2019 11:30-12:50**  
**Boca Campus AD 305, Davie Campus LA 150, Jupiter Campus SR 200**

11:30 a.m.

Call to order delayed 10 minutes. Faculty needed in attendance to reach quorum.

11:40 a.m.

Call to Order – Prof. Mauricio Almonté, Faculty Assembly Chair

Meeting called to order welcoming faculty and guests. Faculty Assembly Officers and its Steering Committee for 2019-2020 introduced.

11:45 a.m.

Dean's Report – Dr. Michael Horswell

Highlights & Issues

- 2500 people in attendance for Jane Goodall talk. \$50000 fundraised for ANTH.
- Ticket sales at the College's theatre are up 67% and continue to increase yearly, including Theatre Lab.
- The college has been working more closely with the Brazilian community. Hope to increase activities and funding.
- Making Waves awarded to Robert F. Kennedy Jr.
- SCMS Bob Bailyn awards for faculty participating in exciting research.
- Faculty has participated in the Barb Schmidt Fellowship in Cultivating Community Involvement, Activism, and Social Change. 27 students completed the 6-credit program, fully funded by philanthropy.
- The Palm Beach book festival at FAU was a huge success.
- Ritter and Schmidt Art Galleries and the Study of the Americas initiative which is a working group of faculty looking to share research in progress with an interdisciplinary group of scholars.
- Successful Larkin Symposium on the American Presidency with keynote speaker Caroline Winterer and a panel of 9 historians. The Alan B. and Charna Larkin Endowed Fund supports an annual symposium and creates supporting graduate fellowships and undergraduate scholarships for students who demonstrate interest in the American presidency.
- John O'Sullivan Memorial Lectureship. Mission: John O'Sullivan Memorial Lectureship is to provide students, secondary school teachers, faculty and public guests with exposure to a distinguished historian of 20th-century American History whose lectureship/presentation broadens and deepens our understanding of the major thematic and conceptual aspects of America's modern history.
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Lecture Series established in Fort Lauderdale and presented at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. There is an 18-member board from the community.

- Total dollars raised for the college: \$6,124,827. Included is a gift of Art to establish the Rick and Leslie Stone Art History Lab in the Ritter Gallery. There will be a remodel to the back of the gallery.
- Extramural funding is 23.8% through sponsored programs. 38.7% increase through Foundation. Overall, faculty grant application increase is 74.4%.
- Research and travel support for the year includes \$1200 per faculty member.
- There will be 6 SCAF Awards available to tenure-track and tenured faculty as well as a number of Faculty Support Awards through ROCA. Other options for faculty funding and awards include the Morrow, School of the Arts, Humanities Foundation, etc. There is also a pool of funds available for NTT instructors.
- Diversity and Inclusion held 6 meetings in spring and summer 2019. The College is creating a Diversity and Inclusion Committee that will advise the Dean, provide liaison to the Diversity Platform, budget to create and maintain the intellectual community, and provide training to search committees.
- Hiring: Potential for College “cluster hires” with a research focus. The cluster hire is to be a “multidisciplinary” group of faculty with research-intensive focus on TRANSHISTORICAL AFRICAN DIASPORA in the AMERICAS. (Cluster hire Units include: English, History, SCMS, LLCL, Theatre and Dance, Music)
- 16 lines are open in the College and “should” be replaced. However, there will be some reallocation of resources among departments and schools.
- There will be some budget reallocation that will allow for funding of Graduate Student Health Care & Insurance. “The college should not be heavily affected.”
- FAU 100: The goal is bump FAU up and into the Top 100 of public universities. However, new funding needs to come from the Florida Legislature and FAU needs a marketable focus by 2020. So the goal (marketable focus) is going to begin with Artificial Intelligence and Data Science. Therefore, there could be new positions or cluster hires related to Data Science. The College’s PhD in the Humanities is part of the keys FAU needs when looking to achieve recognition in the Top 100 with Carnegie Classification (R1).
- Enrollment is up 3% overall for the College.
- Davie campus increased growth by 8%. There is discussion to move GD and SCMS FVNM BA/MFA to downtown Fort Lauderdale’s HEC. The timeline is 1-2 years and is dependent on what funds are made available.
- Self-supporting programs is a way to have a revenue stream separate from Tallahassee for the College and the Units within the College. An example is the Continuing Education Program through Languages where a specific fee is charged to students to raise funding for the particular Unit. The Unit keeps the revenue to do what they want with it.

12:25 p.m.

Dean’s Report – Dr. Michael Horswell (cont’d)

Questions & Discussion

Question: Why not have more concentrated PhD’s such as a track in Jewish Studies?

Answer: Professional enrichment and enhancement is important for the PhD and additional resources are needed.

Question: What is the source of ranked universities in accordance to what FAU's President wants?

Answer: [US News & World Report](#)

12:27 p.m.

School of Interdisciplinary Studies Report – Dr. Adam Bradford, Associate Dean of Graduate Studies

- The School of Interdisciplinary Studies is now established. Degree programs under its umbrella include Women and Gender Studies, Jewish Studies, Philosophy, Data Science and Society, and the PhD program. Almost all the certificate programs were brought over. ESL was the only certificate to not transfer over. Some of the College's research centers also came over such as Body, Mind and Culture. The School of Interdisciplinary Studies will assist with general management and support such as GTA onboarding and credentialing.
- PJHR is a university wide platform. However, the provost wants PJHR to move into the College of Arts and Letters, which the College agreed to. There will be a call for a new Director that will go out soon.
- There is a new call for a Director of the Center for Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. The goal is to find someone interested within the College. This position includes a generous stipend (\$15,000) and makes up to two course releases available through a buy-out process.

12:40 p.m.

Chair's Report – Prof. Mauricio Almonté, Faculty Assembly Chair

- University Faculty Senate needs DFSCAL reps. Overall, the College needs representation at UFS. Marianne R. Sanua-Dalin nominated to UFS Academic Freedom and Due Process Committee by Kevin Wagner. We need to push policies at Senate. However, to effectively do that, we need a large collective of DFSCAL faculty in attendance. The goal is to move Senate to advocacy over administrative.
- DFSCAL has 10-11 senators for faculty governance. According to one of our UFS reps, the meetings have been numerous, helpful, and most often about metrics. These are open meetings and welcoming. Faculty needs to show and improve metrics such as graduation rates, enrollment rates, etc. Wagner stated that the UFS will be discussing the University budget which is not yet public.
- Ann Branaman (Sociology) will take the place of Max Kirsch for Senator. Bill Trapani (SCMS) will take the place of Jacob Henson.
- The rep from the College for the Library Committee is Barbara Ganson.

12:50 p.m.

Faculty Assembly adjourned.

Minutes submitted by:


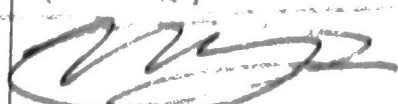
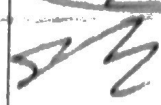
Shane Eason, Secretary, Faculty Assembly

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***In Attendance***

	<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Unit</i></b>
01	<i>Mauricio Almonté, FA Chair</i>	Languages, Linguistics, and Comparative Literature
02	<i>Kevin Wagner</i>	Political Science
03	<i>Meredith Ellis, FA Vice Chair</i>	Anthropology
04	<i>Rebecca LeMoine</i>	Political Science
05	<i>Mirianne Dalin</i>	History
06	<i>Michael Horswell</i>	Dean
07	<i>Eric Hanne</i>	History
08	<i>Adam Bradford</i>	Associate Dean
09	<i>Carla Calargé</i>	Languages, Linguistics, and Comparative Literature
10	<i>Ann Branaman</i>	Sociology
11	<i>Patricia Kollander</i>	History
12	<i>Brian McConnell</i>	Visual Arts and Art History
13	<i>Mary-Ann Gosser</i>	Languages, Linguistics, and Comparative Literature
14	<i>Shane Eason, FA Secretary</i>	Communication and Multimedia Studies
15	<i>Lotus Seeley, FA Steering</i>	Sociology
16	<i>William Trapani</i>	Communication and Multimedia Studies
17	<i>Annette LaRocco</i>	Political Science

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Attendance Sheet  
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Position	Name	Signature
Chair	Mauricio Almonte	
Vice Chair	Meredith Ellis	
Secretary	Shane <del>ELSON</del> ELSON	
Steering Committee	Lotus Stealy	

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Guest Sign-in Sheet  
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	Department	Name	Signature	
1.	Political Science	Rebecca LeMoine	Rebecca LeMoine	✓
2.	SCM	William Tresp	William Tresp	✓
3.	Sociology	Lotus Sealey	Lotus Sealey	✓
4.	History	Miriam Palin	Miriam Palin	✓
5.	Political Science	Annette LaRocco	Annette LaRocco	✓
6.	History	ERIC J. HANNES	Eric J. Hannes	✓
7.	Political Science	Kevin Wagon	Kevin Wagon	✓
8.	Sociology	Ann Branaman	Ann Branaman	✓
9.	LLCL	Carla Calarge	Carla Calarge	✓
10.	History	P. Kollander	P. Kollander	✓
11.	Dean	M. Horswell	M. Horswell	✓
12.	Assoc. Dean	A. Bradford	A. Bradford	✓

13.	L2CL	Mary Ann Goss	y Ash
14.	VAAH	Brian E. McConnell	✓
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