

## COE FACULTY ASSEMBLY MEETING Minutes

April 8, 2022

10:00am-12:00pm

Zoom Teleconference

<https://fau-edu.zoom.us/>

Meeting ID: 831 5105 1443

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Attendance: Ariza, Barakat, Bellevue, Bhagwanji, Bloom, Bousalis, Bresnahan, Brewer, S. Brown, V. Brown, Burton, Carey, Crane, Danilowicz, Dariano, Darling, Davis-Thomas, DeDonno, Degoias, Dernikos, K. Diaz, S. Diaz, Dukes, Exume, Finnegan, Floyd, Furner, Hardman, Henderson, Hodge, Hufty, Imgrund, Jones, Klein, Kumar, Krill, Laliberte, Lieberman, Marcello, Maslin-Ostrowski, K. Miller, Mountford, Musgrove, Nguyen, Nichols, Peluso, Persin, Porcaro, Powers, Ramasamy, Ramirez, Ramnarace, Salinas, B. Savage, Schoorman, Scott, Shepherd, Silverman, Stupec, A. Torres, Vaughan, Vasquez, Williams, Wittel,

### Welcome!

Dr. Mountford welcome all to the meeting. Names of all of those granted promotion and tenure this academic year as well as COE awardees were announced. The rankings from the US News and World Report were announced for various COE programs.

An election update was announced with the FA representatives for the 2022-23 year. The newly elected senators will be---Dr. Dukes, Dr. V. Brown, and Dr. Mountford. Dr. Musgrove was nominated as the 4<sup>th</sup> senator. The FA officers were announced (Dr. Finnegan—president, Dr. Darling—VP, Dr. K. Miller—secretary and Dr. A. Ramirez—archivist).

### Old Business:

Approval of FA January 2022 minutes.

Dr. Scott made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Ramasamy second the motion. All were in favor. The January 2022 minutes were approved. Dr. Mountford gave a UFF bargaining update. Faculty were encouraged to come to the bargaining session today 4/8/22.

### Guest Speakers

Undergraduate Enrollment in Graduate Classes

Dr. Brian Hodge, University Registrar

Dr. Hodge reviewed the policy regarding undergraduate student attendance in graduate courses. There are challenges with the existing policy and a revised policy was presented. This is currently going through the curriculum governance procedures.

Dean Silverman gave a CAEP update briefly in regards to the current process.

Provost Danilowicz reviewed the results of Dean Silverman's 360. The provost asked if there were questions.

Dr. Brewer sent a statement that was read in regards to the CAEP update and visit.

### Committee Reports

*Due to time constraints, we are only reporting out on committees that have had action items since the last FA meeting*

University Faculty Senate Report, Dr. Mountford

Dr. Mountford gave an update on the UFS report. Self-sustaining programs, such as programs in which students earn certificates, continue to be created across the university. Dr. Peluso commented on UFS update and made a note that Dr. Kim Dunn has been elected again for the UFS president. The DEI presentation was given by Drs. Dukes and Schoorman.

Research Committee, Dr. Paul Peluso

Dr. Peluso thanked the research committee and discussed some of the faculty supported initiatives on seeking grant funding (NSF, IES, etc). There have been some discussions with the College of Engineering. It was discussed that other colleges want to partner as we can provide content and expertise. Dr. Peluso shared the dissertation chairing policy (policy 1.18) from the Provost website. It went into effect March 9, 2022. The policy for chairing dissertations must formally be recognized as part of the assignment and colleges and programs need to decide the weight of the assignment.

The research committee has been working on a dissertation checklist for qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods dissertations to ensure that these elements are addressed for the final dissertation write ups. It is hoped that this checklist will help with other levels of review across the College. Some faculty will pilot this checklist and will report back on the process.

Alternative dissertation formats have been discussed across the university. The policy will be developed at the university level and policies for colleges and departments can put in their own policy at their levels.

Barbara Savage is new in the Dean's office and will support grant submissions in the COE.

There was a question regarding course releases and policy. The Dean responded that he will work towards getting a policy for this with the chairs.

### **New Business:**

Promotion & Tenure Policies, Dr. Vicki Brown

Dr. Vicki Brown presented information on the P/T policies. This is the year that the COE needs to review the P/T policies. A few items that FA should consider were addressed. The first item was in regards to continuing with full college vs. by dept. criteria for P/T. The second item posed is in regards to proceeding to create new P/T criteria. A question was asked regarding how many colleges just have college-wide P/T criteria. For the most part, each dept. has criteria.

It was suggested that a survey can go out to get feedback from the COE. It's important to remember that there is a timeline and that there needs to be a committee to move forward. The timeline for P/T revisions are that they need to be revised and completed by Spring 2023. It was suggested that every dept. should have a committee rep for this task. Each dept. should send Dr. V. Brown a name for the P/T revisions. There was a question regarding policies—that each dept. can add to the current College level policy, but not go against the policy. It would be helpful to be aware of the current policy.

HEDS Diversity Survey Discussion,  
Drs. Dukes & Schoorman

Dr. Schoorman asked the COE faculty to think about what the COE next steps should be. The presentation was sent ahead of time to COE faculty. Dr. Dukes highlighted that the point of the survey was to get a sense of climate as well as climate in related to diversity. He shared some results. Dr. Schoorman raised the question that should be addressed, "What should we as a COE do as next steps?"

## Dean's Talking Points

Dean discussed rankings of COE nationally. Dr. Silverman provided an update regarding counting credits. The COE will not have any budget cuts this year. Undergraduate enrollment is stabilized.

Diversity training does not have a specific policy for training.

Dean Silverman thanked faculty for working on CAEP.

Departmental advisory committees may have to be implemented by September as indicated by the BOT.

There has not been any new information related to Vice Provost/Provost searches

Meeting adjourned: 12pm.

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

### COE

Jarrett Warshaw, Ph.D.

Melanie Acosta, Ph.D.

Ann Musgrove, Ed.D.

Bryan Nichols, Ph.D.

Tenure and Promotion to Associate Professor

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### ADHUS/FAUHS

Gina Hufty, Ed.S.

Megan Foster, M.Ed.

Ana Simzer Vidal, Ed.S.

Promotion to University School Associate Professor

Promotion to University School Accomplished Instructor

Promotion to University School Assistant Professor

### COE FACULTY HONOREES

Meredith Mountford, Ph.D.

Sita Ramnarace, M.Ed.

Elizabeth Villares, Ph.D.

Kelly Emelianchik-Key, Ph.D.

Jarrett Warshaw, Ph.D.

Michael Frain, Ph.D.

Jillian Powers, Ph.D.

COE Distinguished Teacher of the Year

COE Excellence and Innovation in Undergraduate Advising

COE Scholar of the Year – Professor

COE Scholar of the Year – Associate Professor

COE Scholar of the Year – Assistant Professor

COE Researcher of the Year – Professor

COE Researcher of the Year – Associate Professor

### ADHUS/FAUHS HONOREES

Rhea Francani, M.A.

Evelyn Richardson

FAU District Teacher of the Year

FAU District School Related Employee of the Year

As for rankings of COE programs, please refer to the following articles from the COE news desk:



## FAU Among 'U.S. News & World Report's' 2023 'Best Graduate Programs'

March 29, 2022

College of Education overall graduate education programs ranked No. 138 for 2022 (up from No. 163 in 2021).



## FAU Teacher Prep Program Ranked No. 1 in the State

March 21, 2022

Florida Atlantic University ranks No.1 in Elementary Education in the state of Florida.



## FAU ONLINE PROGRAMS MOVE UP IN 'U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT' RANKINGS

January 25, 2022

COE ranked 80th out of 321 for online master's programs, 21st for online master's in curriculum and instruction, and 13th for online program in education administration.

- <https://www.fau.edu/newsdesk/articles/us-news-2023-best-graduate-programs.php>
- <https://www.fau.edu/education/newsevents/teacherprep-rank/>
- <https://www.fau.edu/newsdesk/articles/fau-usnews-onlinerankings-2022.php>