

University Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
December 6, 2013

Members Present: see *appendix A* for attendance sheet

Guests Presents: See *appendix B* for attendance sheet

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Dr. Ron Nyhan, President, at 2:00 p.m. in the College of Nursing 202 on the Boca Raton Campus and video conferenced to Davie, Sea Tech, Fort Lauderdale, Harbor Branch and Jupiter.

The Senate observed a moment of silence for the late Dr. John Valentine, who was a faculty in the College of Business.

2. **Without changes**, the Senate approved the minutes of the [November 1, 2013](#) Senate meeting.

3. **President's Report**

- The Admission and Retention Committee together with Dr. Peluso on Student Success are making great progress
- The eLearning Committee will be soon formed and will coordinate its efforts in conjunction with Dr. Vicky Brown's CEL committee.
- The State College's relationships effort will be led by Dr. Deborah Floyd and the Provost Office. Suggestions and information should be directed to Dr. Floyd for consideration.
- The schedule on the search committee for the presidential selection has been posted on Blackboard
- The resumes of the candidates will be posted on Blackboard as they become available for all FAU faculty to review to enable them to be actively engaged in the selection process.

4. **UPC Consent Agenda:**

- No objections from the Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

5. **UPC Action Item**

College of Business

- a) Requirement Removal – Removal of ENC 3213 as a requirement for the General Business major and Business core - No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

College of Engineering & Compt. Science

- a) Civil Program Changes/Geomatic Program Changes – No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

6. **UGC Consent Agenda:**

- No objections from Senate – **approved by majority vote**

7. **UGC Action Items:**

a) **College for Design and Social Inquiry**

Program Change-Master of Public Administration – no objections from Senate-**approved by majority vote.**

b) **College of Business**

Program Change – Master of Accounting, Master of Taxation, Exec. Master of Accounting, Exec. Master of Taxation - no objections from Senate-**approved by majority vote.**

c) **College of Science**

Program Change-Professional Master of Science in Medical Physics (MSMP) - no objections from Senate-**approved by majority vote.**

Program Change- Graduate Remote Sensing Cert. - no objections from Senate-**approved by majority vote.**

8. **Business Items:**

a) Dr. Nyhan proposed to reschedule the next Senate meeting for January 24, 2014 as the Senate's scheduled meeting for Jan 17th conflicted with the timing of the final selection of the President of FAU. The Senate unanimously approved rescheduling the meeting.

b) **Online Spots:** Steering was in favor of moving forward to Senate with positive recommendation to implement the online spot evaluations in the spring 2014 semester. The Office of the Provost will coordinate the efforts to inform and encourage students to participate.

After much discussion, the Senate approved unanimously to moving forward in the implementation of online spots in the spring 2014 semester.

9. **Open Forum with the Provost:**

- Dr. Perry mentioned Dr. Peluso was attending the SACS Reaffirmation meeting and was hopeful that FAU would receive positive affirmation
- Dr. Perry spoke about the ten Performance metrics that FAU will need to work on in the future.
- The first eight metrics are common to all universities
- The ninth metric was chosen by the BOG i.e., number of degrees awarded without excess hours – was chosen to try to differentiate FAU from other universities.
- The tenth metric was chosen by the BOT i.e., Bachelor's degrees awarded to minorities.
- The Provost Office researched this and Dr. Perry made this recommendation to the BOT at their last meeting
- Two benchmarks are tied to the metrics – excellence and improvement.
- Provost Office is working on collecting data to determine which benchmark to use with the approval of the BOG and BOT

- All ten metrics have some aspects that is associated with student success
- Dr. Perry is looking to the Senate's effort to bring all the colleges together to develop a strategy to improve on student success.
- Dr. Perry encouraged the faculty to also get involved in the decision making with the upcoming Presidential Search.

12. Good of the Senate:

- The subject of P&T committee's requirement for five letters of recommendation instead of three was brought up once more
- Dr. Nyhan attended the first meeting of the newly constituted P&T committee, where he requested the P&T Committee to consider the concerns of the faculty. The committee is working in this issue and will report back to the Senate their recommendations for approval by the Senate, before being reported to the Provost Office.
- Eric Shaw is also setting up a memorial scholarship fund in John Valentine's name.

Meeting adjourned at 3:49pm

College - # of Seats	First Name	Last Name	Dec 6 2013
Engineering - 3	Evangelos	Kaisar	x
	Hari	Kalva	
	Davood	Moslemian	
DSI - 3	Hugh	Miller	x
	LeaAnne	DeRigne	
	Bruce	Arneklev	x
Honors - 2	Kevin	Lanning	x
	Jon	Moore	
Business - 5	TBA	TBA	
	Gary	Castrogiovanni	x
	Jim	Han	x
	Stuart	Galup	x
	Bill	Bosshardt	x
Education - 4	Deborah	Floyd	x
	Deborah	Harris	
	David	Kumar	x
	Dilys	Schoorman	
A&L - 9	Marshall	De Rosa	
	Mary	Faraci	x
	Mike	Harris	x
	David	Williams	x
	Pat	Darlington	
	Tim	Lenz	x
	Yolanda	Gamboa	x
	Kevin	Wagner	x
	Manjunath	Pendakur	x
Science - 6	Chris	Beetle	x
	Stephen	Locke	x
	James	Kumi-Diaka	
	Markus	Schmidmeier	
	Fred	Hoffman	
	Tom	Monson	x
Medicine - 2	Morton	Levitt	x
	Kathleen	Guthrie	x
Nursing - 1	Joy	Longo	x
Library - 2	Lauri	Rebar	x
	Teresa	Van Dyke	

Senator	First Name	Last Name	
Presidential Rotation:			
Senate President	Ronald	Nyhan	x
Past president or president elect	William	McDaniel	x
Faculty Assembly Heads:			
EO Medicine	Mahyar	Nouri-Shirazi	x
EO Science	Jerry	Haky	x
EO Engineering	Amir	Abtahi	
EO DSI	Rosalyn	Carter	x
EO Honors	Warren	McGovern	
EO Education	Philomena	Marinaccio	
EO A&L	Barbara	Ganson	x
EO Business	CM	Sashi	
EO Library	Lynn	LaVigne	
EO Nursing	Susan	Dyess	x
Committee Chairs:			
Academic Freedom and Due Process Committee	Marshall	De Rosa	
Admission and Retention Committee	Rupert	Rhodd	
Assessment Committee	Nancey	France	
Athletics Committee	Eric	Shaw	x
Distance Education Committee	TBA		
Graduate Council	Deborah	Floyd	x
Honors and Awards Committee	Evangelos	Kaisar	x
Library Advisory Committee	William	Miller	
Promotion and Tenure Committee	Pradeep	Korgaonkar	
Research Committee	Arlene	Fradkin	
Undergraduate Programs Committee	Jerry	Haky	x
Graduate Programs Committee	Douglas	Broadfield	
Committee on Committees	Ali	Farazmand	
Nonvoting Members:			
President	Dennis	Cruedele	
Provost	Gary	Perry	x

