

**University Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
November 14, 2016
EE 106, 1:30PM – 3:30PM**

Members and Guests Present: *See Appendix A* for attendance sheet.

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Dr. Chris Beetle at 1:30pm. The meeting was held in room EE 106 on the Boca Raton Campus and was video conferenced to Davie (DW 108), Fort Lauderdale (HEC 608), Harbor Branch (LE 235), Jupiter (SR 200), and Sea Tech (ST 209)

2. **With positive approval**, the Senate approved [October 17, 2016](#) UFS Minutes.

3. President's Report

- a. Dr. Chris Beetle begins his report by reminding the Faculty Senate that President Kelly is scheduled to be the guest speaker at the December 12th meeting. President Kelly's faculty report will serve as part of his State of the University address. Moving forward, President Kelly's State of the University address will take place once a semester rather than once a year. All colleagues are welcome to attend the meeting.
- b. Finally, Dr. Beetle announces that the inaugural Three Minute Thesis Competition hosted by the Graduate College has its final round this Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Lifelong Learning Society building. Tickets are free and seats are still remaining.

4. Speakers

- a. Vice President of Finance, Dorothy Russell
 - o Vice President Dorothy Russell begins her presentation by stating that she has already spoken to the Deans from each College as well as the Academic Planning and Budget Committee on the 2016-17 Educational and General Budget.
 - o Next, Vice President Russell presents on the New Allocations for the Performance Funding – Non-recurring dollars and how it is being spent. There are seven areas in the New Allocations area. First, Florida Atlantic University received \$25,346,748 because of being tied #1 in the State of Florida's performance metrics. Second, FAU received \$1.5 million dollars towards STEM Life Science Initiatives in Jupiter. Third, FAU received \$100,000 for the Secondary Robotics Team Support. FAU does not spend that money, rather High Schools around the state use that money. Fourth, \$327,884 was allocated to the Florida Retirement System Contribution. These funds will allow FAU to make adjustments to any administrative fees for People First and or changes that our population makes in the coverage they have in terms of retirement. Fifth, there was a \$326,896 technical change between FAU and FAU Medical School. Sixth, every year FAU is given authority to collect tuition by the State Legislature and by the Board of Governors. There is a negative \$5,751,420 in order to budget out for students and credit hour productivity. This change in non-recurring and authority does not affect budgets. Seventh, the Medical School Tuition Budget Increase of \$1,376,242 is a separate entity. The Medical School collects their revenue in tuition and keeps it.
 - o After discussing the New Allocations budget, Vice President Russell begins her presentation on the FY16-17 Strategic Plan Requests and Allocations. This addresses how FAU spent the total \$25,346,748. Under "VP Area" there was a process to all of the Vice Presidents on addressing all of the priorities for the strategic plan, fixed costs or initiatives moving

forward. There was a total of \$58,439,522 in requests for all the areas of the Vice Presidents. 52.6% of all requests came from the Provost's office.

- Moving forward, Vice President Russell explains that out of the \$25,346,748 awarded in the New Allocations budget; \$16,617,950 was allocated to all of the Vice President divisions, \$7,444,844 was allocated to the UFF Faculty increases and promotions and \$1,283,954 was allocated to the Staff Bonus Program. The \$9,443,750 that was allocated to the Provost's office does not include the \$7,444,844 that was allocated to UFF Faculty increases and promotions. Out of the \$25,346,748 that was allocated to the university, 70.2% went directly towards academic initiatives within the institution.
- Next, Vice President Russell discusses the breakdown of the \$9,443,750 Academic Affairs non-reoccurring funding. First, \$3.5 million was allocated to summer funding. There is not enough revenue coming in through the course of the year to support a summer program. These funds will help FAU keep up with the demands of summer funding. Second, \$3 million went towards the Graduate College for graduate assistantship stipends. Third, \$1,902,000 was allocated for New Deans/Programs/Reinvest. These funds were distributed for two new dean's salary packages. These Colleges include the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science and the Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College. Also, both of the interim Dean's salaries were taken into account since both employees did not retire. The new Registrar's salary was also included in this portion of the funding. Fourth, \$360,000 was allocated to Canvas since FAU will be leaving Blackboard next year. Fifth, the National Merit Program was allocated \$183,750. Sixth, \$100,000 went towards the Transfer Center. Seventh, Expresso degrees which are accelerated degrees that allow students to graduate three years rather than four was allocated \$98,000. Finally, the Physics Lab Expression was allocated \$50,000 to accommodate students in the Physics Department.

5. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)

- a. Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

6. [UPC Action Items](#)

a. College of Arts and Letters:

- Communication Studies
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- Interdisciplinary Studies: Social Science
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- Bachelor of Music Education
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

b. College of Business:

- Management
 - Dr. Meredith Mountford motions to accept the proposal from the Steering Committee with the amended variable credits 1-4 on the internship. Dr. Susan Dyess seconds. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

7. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)

- a. Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

8. UGC Action Agenda

- a. No items.

9. Business Items

- a. No items.

10. Open Forum with the Provost

- Provost Perry begins his announcement by stating that the faculty support the students and Florida Atlantic University believes in the principles of inclusion, diversity and opportunity and will continue to do so.
- Next, final exams should not be given during the final week of the semester, only during finals week. Provost Perry reminds everyone that FAU lost two reading days earlier in the semester due to Hurricane Matthew.
- Finally, Provost Perry reiterates that the Sustained Performance Evaluation policy is a faculty driven process. Provost Perry asks all of the Faculty Assembly Chair's to start the process.

11. Good of the Senate

- a. No items.

Meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

UFS Attendance Sign-In

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	6)	Evonne Rezler	
	7)	Markus Schmidmeier	<i>Markus Schmidmeier</i>
Faculty Assembly Heads			
A&L		Kevin Wagner	
BUS		C.M. Sashi	
D&SI		Cliff McCue	
EDU		Philomena Marinaccio	
ENG		Amir Abtahi	
HBOI		Laurent Cherubin	
HON COL		Veljko Dragojlovic	<i>Veljko Dragojlovic</i>
MED		Mahyar Nouri-Shirazi	<i>Mahyar Nouri-Shirazi</i>
NUR		Shirley Gordon	
SCI		Jerry Haky	<i>Jerry Haky</i>
LIB		Joanne Parandjuk	
Committee Chairs			
AFDPC		Marshall De Rosa	
APBC		Kevin Wagner	
Admission & Retention		Rupert Rhodd	
Assessment		Nancey France	
Distance Education		Mary Cameron	
Graduate Council		Paul Peluso	<i>Paul Peluso</i>

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Honors and Awards	Evangelos Kaisar	
Library Advisory		
P&T	Cynthia Wilson	
Research	Arlene Fradkin	
UPC	Jerry Haky	<i>J.E. Haky</i>
GPC	William McDaniel	
Senate President	Christopher Beetle	
President-Elect	Kevin Wagner	
Non-Voting Members		
President	John Kelly	
Provost	Gary Perry	

Guest Sign-In Sheet - September 12, 2016

Dept.	Name	Signature
UGS	Er Pratt	ESP
COTE	Valerie Brister	Valerie Brister
UG	Deborah Floyd	D. Floyd
	Donna Chamely	D. Chamely
SLC	Linda Sloas	Linda Sloas
College of Arts	Teresa Sakrioni	Teresa Sakrioni
ARTS LETTER	SHANE EASON	Shane Eason

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