

**Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
December 1, 2016
BOT Conference Room, 2pm – 4pm**

Members Present: Susan Dyess, Chris Beetle, Morton Levitt, Paul Peluso, Meredith Mountford, Kevin Wagner, Dilys Schoorman, and Kim Dunn.

Guests: Russ Ivy, Diane Alperin, Kevin Lanning, Doug McGetchin, Koray Karabina, Yuan Wang, Ewa Wojcikiewicz, Evonne Rezler, Edward Pratt, Edgar An, Fred Bloetscher, and Dan Meeroff.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:03pm by Chair, Dr. Chris Beetle.
2. The UFS Steering minutes from [November 3rd, 2016](#) were approved by the committee.
3. **President's Report:**
 - a. Dr. Chris Beetle reminds the members of the Steering committee that President John Kelly will be speaking at the final Senate meeting of the semester on December 12th. All colleagues are welcome to attend the meeting. Florida Atlantic University did not have a State of the University address from President Kelly this past year; part of the address will take place at the Senate meeting.
 - b. Lastly, Dr. Beetle does not have the final draft complete yet for the bylaws revision. The item was taken off from the original agenda.
4. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)
 - Dr. Kim Dunn motions to move EGN 4377C to the action items. Dr. Morton Levitt seconds.
 - There are no objections. The remainder of the consent agenda as amended stands **approved**.
 - After deliberation, Dr. Dunn motions to send EGN 4377C with **no recommendation from Steering**. A revised version of the syllabus will be sent to Michael Turtz prior to the next Senate meeting.
 - There are no objections. The consent agenda moved forward as **amended from Steering**.
5. [UPC Action Agenda](#)
 - a. **College of Engineering and Computer Science**
 - *Ocean Engineering*
 - Dr. Susan Dyess motions to move Ocean Engineering from the College of Engineering and Computer Science with a **positive recommendation from Steering**. Dr. Levitt seconds. After a majority vote, the motion carries.
6. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)
 - There are no objections. The consent agenda stands **approved**.
7. [UGC Action Items](#)
 - There is no agenda this month.
8. **Business Items**

- a. Draft resolution to designate FAU campuses as sanctuaries.
 - o After a discussion led by Dr. Chris Beetle and Dr. Kevin Lanning, Provost Perry addresses this business item by announcing that President John Kelly has signed on to the Statement in Support of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).

9. Open forum with the Provost

- o First, Provost Perry announces that Florida Atlantic University moved forward with a one-time salary supplement for all full-time or approved full-time equivalent GTAs, GRAs, and GAs who are enrolled in good standing as of Friday, November 18, 2016. A salary supplement of \$1,500 will be paid as a lump sum (subject to applicable withholding) to all eligible GTAs, GRAs, and GAs on the December 9, 2016 pay date. There has been a positive response from the faculty and the students.
- o Next, this morning the Provost was in Jupiter meeting with Legislators about acquiring funding for the Jupiter Life Science, new building on the Jupiter campus, Tech Runway, and the monitoring system in the Indian River Lagoon.
- o Finally, the academic calendar that was approved by the Board of Governors this year has our Fall and Spring semester beginning on a Monday and the same as last year. In prior years, FAU has begun the semester on Saturdays. The calendar change effects several Colleges that have Saturday classes as well as financial aid policies. The 2017-2018 academic calendar is tentative and is not final. The Academic Planning and Budget Committee will meet in January prior to the Board of Governors deadline.

10. Good of the Steering Committee

- a. There are no items.

11. Meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

