



**University Faculty Senate Meeting  
Minutes  
March 27, 2023  
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM  
Engineering East Room 106**

1. The UFS meeting was called to order by Dr. Kim Dunn at 1:01 pm. The meeting was held in Engineering East Room 106.
2. Senate approved [February 27, 2023](#) UFS Minutes by unanimous consent.
3. President's Report
  - Dr. Dunn reported on FAU's Social Mobility; FAU ranked #1 out of the schools that made it to the NCAA tournament.
  - Dr. Dunn reminded senate the links that were sent out to them in her March UFS President Report: [Governor Ron DeSantis Roundtable on Education](#) and [Florida HB999](#)
  - Dr. Dunn reported on the BOG and presidential searches, naming of interim presidents and the BOG role in naming interim presidents.
  - BOG meeting on March 28 & 29 in Tallahassee at Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University; Post Tenure Review is on the agenda.
  - Dr. Dunn gave an update on the presidential search committee. Three virtual listening sessions will be held on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - BOT scheduled meetings, April 25, June 13, and August 15.
4. Guest Speakers
  - a. Roderick J. McDavis, Managing Principal, AGB Search
    - Mr. DcDavis, introduction and gave an update on the presidential search.
    - FAU presidential updates may be found here: <https://www.fau.edu/presidential-search/>
    - Draft of leadership profile will be presented to the search committee on April 11<sup>th</sup>.
    - The next search committee meeting will occur on April 10<sup>th</sup> or April 11<sup>th</sup> followed by a presentation of the leadership profile along with the marketing plan to the board on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

- Based on the new law, it will be a closed process up to the point that the finalists are announced. There will be a minimum of three finalists who will be submitted to the Board of Trustees. Once the finalists are named, their names will be public.
  - Opened Q&A with Senate.
- b. Ryan Britton, Executive Director, FAU Government Relations
- Mr. Britton gave a brief overview on what's going on in Tallahassee.
  - Legislative session starts in early March, and it will run for 60 days finishing on May 5.
  - The university has tailored its legislative proposals to reflect health care shortages across the state of Florida and to align with FAU's board around FAU health and having a healthcare focus.
  - The university has identified a handful of budget priorities in response to FAU health and healthcare focus: 1) College of Dentistry both from an operational standpoint and a building standpoint is our top priority, 2) additional operational funding for the College of Medicine to increase class size and increase its operations and research platform, and 3) additional operating revenue for the College of Nursing to expand enrollments.
  - Opened Q&A with Senate.
5. Committee Reports
- a. University Research Committee, Tina Penhollow, Chair
- Moved to present in April.
6. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)
- Positive recommendation from Steering. **Approved by unanimous consent.**
7. [UPC Action Agenda](#)
- Positive recommendation from Steering. Motion carries.
8. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)
- Course change for the EDF 7578 Critical Foundation and program change in PHD in Curriculum & Instruction will be removed from the consent agenda and sent to the action agenda. Motion carries.
  - Positive recommendation from Steering. **Approved by unanimous consent with the removal of the course change for the EDF 7578 Critical Foundation and PHD in Curriculum & Instruction.**
  - Course change for the EDF 7578 Critical Foundation and program change in PHD in Curriculum & Instruction is added back to the consent agenda with the following modification in the program change in PHD in Curriculum & Instruction in the following section, "4. Provide two letters of recommendation from supervisors and/or professors...(c) ability to write...to "4. Provide two letters of recommendation from supervisors and/or professors...(c) writing ability... Motion carries.

- **Approved by unanimous consent.**

9. [UGC Action Agenda](#)

- Positive recommendation from Steering. Motion carries.

10. Old Business

- Simple Syllabus resources for the faculty are listed on the agenda.

11. New Business

Committee elections: you are welcome to nominate or self-nominate for the positions below starting right now and continuing through April 10<sup>th</sup> by emailing both Dr. Dunn and Taina.

- Steering – 3 slots  
Nominations accepted:  
Bruce Arneklev  
William Trapani  
Charles Dukes
- Academic Planning and Budget Committee – 2 slots  
Nominations accepted:  
Hari Kalva  
Meredith Mountford
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee – 4 slots  
Nominations accepted:  
Carla Calarge  
Nicole Morse
- Policy and Procedures Committee – 4 slots  
Nominations accepted:  
William Trapani  
LeaAnne DeRigne  
Bruce Arneklev  
Vicki Brown  
Lisa Finnegan  
Eric Dumbaugh

12. Open Forum with the Provost  
None.

13. Open Forum of the Senate  
Student speakers recognized at Senate, Trey Santorini and TJ Briski who gave their perspective on Florida HB999 to Senate.

14. Good of the Senate  
• Nicole Morse made an announcement regarding UFF.

15. **Meeting adjourned at 3:05pm.**