Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
November 20, 2023
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
ZOOM

Members Present: Kim Dunn, Bruce Arneklev, Bill Trapani, Charles Duke, Joy Longo, Meredith Mountford, Kevin Wagner and Paul Peluso.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Chair, Dr. Kim Dunn.

2. The UFS Steering minutes from October 26, 2023 were approved by the committee.

3. President’s Report

   • Dr. Dunn reported the BOG posted four draft regulations for public comment including prohibited DEI expenditures (Reg 9.016) and General Education Core Course Options (Reg 8.005). Of particular interest is the removal of Sociology from the approved general education core courses. Public comments are due no later than November 23, 2023.
   • Dr. Dunn reported that the BOT received reports from the FAU Office of Inspector General and from the auditors of FAU’s direct support organizations.
   • Dr. Dunn reported that BOT approved an increase in student housing fees, the first increase in eight years and an update to REG 6.008. The BOT did not move forward with updates to REG 9.002.
   • Dr. Dunn reported that the BOT delivered Interim President Volnick’s performance evaluation and extended her appointment to December 31, 2024 or when a president is named whichever occurs sooner.

4. Guest Speakers

   • Jayson Iroff, Vice President, Financial Affairs & Chief Financial Officer, presented the FAU Budget Model.
     o Motion to have Mr. Iroff present at Faculty Senate in either December or January. Motion carries.
   • Dr. Dan Meeroff, Dean of Undergraduate Studies presented on the following:
     o FLEX (foreign language exit requirement)
• It is a state regulation.
• It applies to the BA degrees and BA of Science degrees unless otherwise specified.

○ AI policy framework
  ▪ Assembled faculty task force to work on institutional policy.
  ▪ Working on scheduling a date for the first meeting.
  ▪ The task force will also be part of a panel discussion at the Teaching with Technology showcase event on March 18.
  ▪ Launched AI website, https://www.fau.edu/ai/, and receiving comments/feedback from faculty.

○ Update Regulation 4.001 Code of Academic Integrity
  ▪ Last year, Senate approved a toolkit for faculty which included the templates for each of the steps.
  ▪ Will share toolkit with Chairs at one of the Circle of Chairs in 2024.

○ Comment on 8.005 General Education Core Course Options
  • Motion for Dr. Meeroff to present at Faculty Senate in December. **Motion carries.**

5. Committee Reports
   • None.

6. **UPC Consent Agenda**
   • Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering but move Honors Program for Bachelor Professional Studies and Sexual Misconduct Reporting Language under #1 University-Wide to UPC Action Agenda.

7. UPC Action Agenda
   None.

8. **UGC Consent Agenda**
   • Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering.

9. **UGC Action Agenda**
   • Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering.

10. Old Business
    • None.
11. New Business
   - None.

12. Open Forum with the Provost
   - Provost Ivy discussed the process of what happens after we approve degree programs.
     o Once approved, we receive a letter from the Board of Governor’s approving the program and that it’s been added to our official degree program inventory.
   - Provost Ivy reported on the process of new programs.
   - Dr. Stephen Engle, Associate Provost for Academic Personnel, gave an update on PTR.

13. Good of the Steering Committee
   - None.

14. Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm.