Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
October 26, 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 September 28, 2023 were approved by the committee.

3. President’s Report
   • Dr. Dunn discussed speakers for the November Senate meeting; Chief Brammer to present campus safety, David Kian to present meeting recordings and access, and Brittanney Amento-Adelmann & Jennifer Bebergal to present QEP and Faculty Development.
   • Dr. Dunn discussed speakers for future meetings; Dan Meeroff to present the Foreign Language requirement and Stephen Engle to present the Faculty Athletics Report.
   • Dr. Dunn reported on the work done by the Academic Freedom and Due Process committee on PTR; committee will report at the next Senate meeting.

4. Guest Speakers
   • Dr. Joel Berg gave an update on the College of Dentistry
     o Dr. Joel introduced himself.
     o College of Dentistry mission: Our mission is to empower and serve rural communities by providing exceptional dental education, fostering compassionate care, and addressing the critical need for additional dentists in underserved areas.
     o The American Dental Association recommends 61 dentists per 100,000 people. However, Florida reports only 54 dentists per 100,000.
     o Discussed the faculty recruitment and hiring plan; FAU to seek operational and capital funding to hire faculty and staff (110 full-time employees)
necessary to run the college (360 when class size reaches full capacity, Fall 2032).

- Discussed student recruitment; **45 students in year 1, 90 students per class** by year 4, **360 total students** when full class size is realized, by Fall 2032.
- Discussed provider retention; incentives for post-graduate rural and underserved service.
- Discussed curriculum plan; all Doctor of Dental Medicine coursework will have advanced through the FAU curriculum approval process by Fall of 2024.
- Discussed program costs; use of state support, tuition funds and other sources of funding; $37.9 million operating budget and $85.5 million start-up costs (legislative budget requests)
- Discussed next steps; securing funding (2024); hiring faculty for degree program implementation (November 2024-2026); curriculum approval (Fall 2025); and securing initial accreditation from Commission of Dental Accreditation (Summer 2026)
- Reported that Founding Dean would be named next Fall.
- Steering recommendation to Senate: Academic Planning and Budget Committee to engage with the Dentistry team to do a deeper dive of proposal status of the dentistry school and then Kim to report to Senate. **Motion carries.**

5. **Committee Reports**
   Academic Planning and Budget Committee, Kevin Wagner
   - Dr. Wagner discussed **24-25** and proposed **25-26** calendars.
   - Moved to present at Faculty Senate. **Motion carries.**

6. **UPC Consent Agenda**
   - Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering with revision.
     - Remove course PCB 4054C item from agenda.

7. **UPC Action Agenda**
   - Item #1: Academic Probation – policy change
     - Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering.
   - Item #2: BFA in Theatre: Music Theatre Concentration – program change
     - Steering recommended revisions to program change.
     - Sent forward with no recommendation by steering.

8. **UGC Consent Agenda**
   - Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering.
9. **UGC Action Agenda**
   - **Item #1: Graduate College Catalog Change**
     - Item #1 on memo: Revised Catalog change
     - Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering.
     - Item #2 on memo: New catalog language
     - Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering with revision addition.
     - Include a hyperlink of Form 10 after “…the formal petition procedure” in parenthesis.
   - **Item #2: College of Medicine Catalog Change – Late Grade Change Approvals**
     - Sent forward with a positive recommendation by steering with revision addition.
     - Strike language, “rather than the Dean of the Graduate College” from 2nd paragraph.

10. **Old Business**
    - Faculty participation in faculty governance, Bill Trapani
      - Dr. Trapani discussed how we could incentivize faculty participation in faculty governance.
      - Dr. Trapani recommended the creation of an engagement committee composed of all colleges.
      - Dr. Trapani offered to draft a proposal for an engagement committee.
    - Digital recording and access to UFS Steering and Senate, Kim Dunn
      - Dr. Dunn reported that conversations on this topic will continue at Senate.

11. **New Business**
    - Exam Conflict, Kim Dunn
      - Dr. Dunn discussed exam conflicts, online vs. traditional courses, including suggesting a policy, if needed.

12. **Open Forum with the Provost**
    - Interim Provost Ivy gave an update on Senate Bill 266; BOG to vote in January and then implementation in the spring.
    - Stephen Engle, Associate Provost of Academic Personnel, gave an update on PTR.

13. **Good of the Steering Committee**
    - None.

14. **Meeting adjourned at 4:14 pm.**