

University Constitution and Regulations Committee (UCRC) Minutes

07 October 2020

Via Zoom: <https://ufl.zoom.us/j/94070879292?pwd=WDhsSU5sODNmNlZaQm1DQlJjR2Y3dz09>

9:00 a.m.

Present: Taylor Rose, Padraic Levings, Charlene Luke, Katie Vogel Anderson, Merritt McAllister, Laurie Bialosky, Ray G. Thomas, and Reggie Frye

1. Call to Order - Padraic Levings, UCRC Chair

-The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by UCRC Chair Padraic Levings.

2. Approval of 09 September 2020 Minutes

-The minutes were approved.

3. Regulations Update – Padraic Levings, UCRC Chair

-A. Regulation 1.017 - Separation from Employment, Layoff and Furlough & Draft Furlough Policy
(Both located @: <https://regulations.ufl.edu/>.)

-The Board of Trustees (BOT) approved this regulation at its September 29th meeting and the Faculty Senate Chair voted in favor of it, after initially suggesting a vote delay to allow more time for faculty input. BOT Chair, Mori Hosseini, asked VP of Human Resources Jodi Gentry to provide further draft policy details at the December BOT meeting.

-The Faculty Senate Office has received extensive feedback on the furlough regulation and draft policy and continues to forward it to the Welfare Council, Compensation Committee, and its Human Resources administrative liaisons for discussion/as ongoing agenda items.

-Both the draft policy & regulation remain posted on the UF regulations website:

<https://regulations.ufl.edu/>.

-B. Use of Space

-Following further discussion, the UCRC lights this as **red**.

-This Business Affairs regulation was presented to the Infrastructure Council on September 17 and the Steering Committee on October 1 by Associate VP of Business Affairs Craig Hill. He will present the regulation at the October 15 Faculty Senate meeting and Chair Levings will also present then to notify Senators this was lit red today.

-The UCRC 'lighting' process was detailed as below:

-The University Constitution & Regulations Committee (UCRC) has adopted a color-coded key for easily informing the senators of proposed regulation changes that may affect the senators or their colleagues:

- **Red** – proposed changes affect the faculty; please review and comment as appropriate.
- **Yellow** – proposed changes may affect or be of interest to faculty; senators may want to review and comment as appropriate.

- **Green** – proposed changes likely have minimal effect on faculty and do not necessarily warrant further review by the senators.

4. **Forthcoming proposed regulations** - Taylor Rose, Senior Counsel & Faculty Senate Parliamentarian

-Taylor Rose presented the proposed regulations below to UCRC. The UCRC lit each of these items **red**:

2.004 Use of University Space

2.016 Camping, Fishing & Hunting on Campus Prohibited

4.006 Commercial Activity; Selling Merchandise, Activities Involving Off-Campus Vendors.

-This proposed regulation consolidates a number of legacy regulations concerning use of University space. This is an ongoing effort with more consolidation to come.

The proposed regulation balances freedom of speech and the University's public mission with prioritizing the use of academic space by faculty, students, and staff and makes provisions for use of certain University spaces by third parties. It further categorizes different types of University space and addresses the fees and conditions for use, sets reservation procedures, and other details.

-**The Notice of Regulations Repeal**, related to these university space regulations, was also noted.

-These regulations were addressed in detail via a presentation by Associate VP of Business Affairs Craig Hill at the [September 17th Infrastructure Council meeting](#).

4.040 Student Honor Code

-This proposed regulation modernizes and cleans up the Student Honor Code, aligning it with federal and state law and Florida Board of Governors regulations. The regulation also addresses contract cheating per Florida statute (e.g., commissioning or impersonating another for academic benefit); it adds "attempt" to the various cheating definitions; and implements several semantic changes such as changing "disciplinary process" to "conduct process."

-The Board of Trustees will vote on these regulations at their December meeting and the above will be presented to Faculty Senate at their October 15th meeting.

5. **Adjournment**

-The meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Resources:

[UF Senate Constitution](#), as amended by February 20, 2020

[UF Senate Bylaws](#), as amended by February 20, 2020

[UCRC Operating Procedures](#), as amended by May 2015