

Faculty Senate Steering Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2014 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
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Attendees: Barbara Wingo, Marc Heft, Pradeep Kumar, Galia Hatav, , Bernard Mair, Paul Duncan, Sue Alvers, Sharda Udassi, Linda Lavelli, and Florin Curta.

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Marc Heft and the March minutes were approved.

Chair's Report

Marc Heft, Chair

- Marc thanked Pradeep Kumar for chairing the Senate meeting.
- Marc reported on his participation at Gator Day at the Legislature. It turnout that it was Dentist Day and he was able to see some of the dental students.
- The Board of Trustees passed the Mission Statement at its last meeting.
- Ombuds search is ongoing.
- Creation of a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
- Thanksgiving Break
- Election for 2014-2015 Chair-Elect will be at the April 17 Faculty Senate meeting.

CFA Name Change

Linda Lavelli, Dean, CFA

- The College of Fine Arts is asking approval to change its name to "The College of the Arts".

Constitution Committee

Barbara Wingo for Tace Hedrick, Chair

- Proposed changes concerning departments, schools and colleges.

Graduate Council

Paul Duncan, Assoc. Dean, Graduate School

- [Changes to MS Computer Science – CLAS](#)
- [Changes to MS Computer Engineering](#)
- [New Degree: PhD in Computer Science](#)
- [New Major: MS Computer Science](#)

Council Reports

• **Budget Council**

Florin Curta, Chair

- The council was to discuss college budget templates, however Matt Fajack could not the council postponed the issue and skipped to the open discussion agenda item.
- Florin Curta was elected as Chair for a second term.
- Discussion then turned to Open Access
 - How much does it cost to publish in open access?
 - What's the cost to the author?
 - What about the legal aspects when journal articles are posted to the web?
 - It was pointed out that currently most of open access is with electronic journals.
 - Many organizations fund their journals through memberships and memberships are declining
- The Council will work on the budget template at April's meeting. The open access discussion will continue next fall.

- **Infrastructure Council** **Sharda Udassi, Chair**
 - Sharda explained that Betty Phillips was the scheduled guest to discuss UF Online, however, due to personnel changes, Dr. Phillips did not attend.
 - ULC has received push back from the word “policy” in the title of the open access document. The committee is thinking about changing the name of the document to an “initiative”
 - Land Use and Facilities Planning and Preservation and Historic Building committees approved minor projects.
 - Sustainability Committee has divided into subgroups to work on different projects
 - IT Subcommittee reported that Microsoft will no longer support Windows XP and the contact management system committee is deciding which system the university should use: Sakai or Canvas.

- **Welfare Council** **Galia Hatav, Chair**
 - Had a meeting just before Steering Committee. Chris Hass was elected chair for 2014-2015.
 - This was the last meeting for 2013-2014
 - LGBT representatives did not attend because they have not decided on survey questions.
 - Galia reported that she attended a SCORS meeting . During the their discussion about women and research , SCORS realized that overall it seemed that very few women associate professor are promoted and has asked for data from Human Resources about male and female associate professors.

Steering Committee approved the April 17, 2014 Faculty Senate agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.