

# University Constitution and Regulations Committee (UCRC) Minutes

13 September 2018  
122 Rogers Hall  
9:00 a.m.

**Present:** Richard Scholtz, Chris Hass, Ana Spiguel, Chelsea Smartt, Reginald Frye, Laurie Bialosky, and Alex Ayzengart.

## 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by UCRC Chair Richard Scholtz at 9:05 a.m.

### **Approval of 8 May 2018 minutes**

The minutes were approved.

## 2. Introduction, Mission

The charge of the University Constitution and Regulations Committee (UCRC) was read. Discussion included:

- The UCRC's role is to decipher the meaning of the constitution's and bylaws' words, as opposed to being makers of policy.
- The UCRC interprets the bylaws and constitution and takes suggestions from Senate committees/councils.
- The UCRC forwards its suggestions to the Steering Committee where it is either approved or amended and sent to the Senate as an Information item and then (at the following meeting) an Action Item for a vote. If the UCRC suggestion is amended or disapproved, it may be sent back to the UCRC for further review and discussion before Steering considers the item again.
- The UCRC ensures that Faculty Senate Bylaws and the University Constitution adhere to regulations put forward by the Board of Governors and are consistent with the model of shared governance in Faculty Senate. Proposed regulations are reviewed by UCRC and given 'lights' which reflect the level of significance to faculty.

## 3. Parking & Transportation Committee, [SBL 20 \(A\)\(2\)\(b\)\(8\)](#), pp. 28-29 (See the [May 3, 2018 Faculty Senate Steering Committee Minutes](#) - page 2 "University Constitution Committee Report").

[The Parking & Transportation Committee membership definition which was agreed upon by both the UCRC and the Parking & Transportation Committee](#) was discussed in relation to [the membership definition suggested by the Faculty Senate Steering Committee](#). Ultimately this would be a Senate recommendation on a joint committee appointment. The Parking and Transportation Committee has favored including staff and students in their voting membership. This item will be placed on the upcoming Parking and Transportation Committee agenda.

## 4. Compensation Committee

-The Compensation Committee Chair and Faculty Senate Chair will attend the next Committee on Committees meeting to discuss the goals of the Compensation Committee and if it should be dissolved, re-organized, or re-defined. The UCRC will serve in an advisory role for the Compensation Committee and the Committee on Committees ultimately needs to approve any committee restructuring or changes in definition, goals, etc.

## **5. Other**

-The new General Counsel administrative contact for UCRC web updates is Kristina Souza. Laurie will forward her the last round of constitutional and bylaw approvals so that she may bring the versions posted on the website up to date.

## **6. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

Resources:

[UF Senate Constitution](#), as amended by January 2018

[UF Senate Bylaws](#), as amended by December 2017

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