

Academic Policy Council Agenda
Wednesday, 18 March 2015
McCarty D, Room 1031B
3:00pm

1. Call to order
2. Approval of 18 February 2015 minutes
3. Old business
 - a. Online course/faculty evaluations
 - i. next steps – request for high-level reminder email to students re: evaluations
 - b. Role of faculty governance in UF Online
 - i. discussion of Advisory body for UF Online
 - ii. next steps – propose waiting until April APC meeting for discussion
 - c. Teaching and global issues
 - i. discussion of QEP – Matthew Jacobs, Director of UG Programs/UFIC
 - d. Discuss new faculty title series proposal – Professor of Practice
 - i. modified proposal – Angel Kwolek-Folland, Associate Provost
 - e. T/TH class periods
 - i. next steps – discussion at April APC meeting of history/issues (Office of the Registrar invitation)
5. New business
6. Adjourn

Academic Policy Council Minutes (Draft)

February 18, 2015
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3:00 p.m.

Attendees

Craig Tapley, Beverly Sanders, Renée Goodrich, Jessica Aaron, Hans van Oostrom, Alison Reynolds, Bernard Mair, and Sue Alvers

Call to Order

Renée Goodrich, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. and the January minutes were approved.

Online course/faculty evaluations

- Renée will email Bernard Mair and Pradeep Kumar to ask if they can send recommendations to faculty about improving online course evaluations.
- A suggestion was made to ask Pradeep to talk to President Fuchs about sending out a message to students explaining the importance of student responses to online course evaluations.

Role of Faculty governance in UF Online –

- Concern was raised about Pearson representatives adding themselves to online classes in UFOnline. Many faculty feel like they have lost control of their UFOnline classes.
- The UFOnline diploma reads the same as the University of Florida diploma. It has the degree earned, but does not indicate that it was online.

Teaching and Global Issues

- Matt Jacobs, Director of QEP, will be at the March council meeting to explain how to get internationalization in some of our courses. Also, he will explain the difference between international education and globalization.

Explore T/TH class schedule options

- Renée invited the Registrar to attend a council meeting to discuss the T/TH schedules. She is waiting for a response.
- Suggestions:
 - Should we have a faculty and student survey about this issue?
 - Should we change T/TH blocks to 1.5 hours instead of two?

New Faculty Title – Professor of Practice

- Discussion at next APC meeting of latest draft proposal by Associate Provost.

New Business

- Beverly Sanders shared her experience with making the curriculum process. She reported that to make a minor change in her college's curriculum, she had to send many emails. Bernard Mair mentioned that making changes to curriculum should not have been that involved and explained the process. To improve communication on changing curriculum, he will add written procedures to the website.

The council adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.