

Welfare Council Minutes
November 30, 2016
8:30 a.m.
Williamson 265

Attendees:

Ray Thomas	Alice Rohton-Vlasak	Jodi Gentry
Amanda House	Mei-Fang Lan	Katherine Vogel-Anderson
Jasmeet Judge		

Ray Thomas called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. and the October minutes were approved.

Recommendations for required training programs

The Council discussed the DRAFT RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA INFRASTRUCTURE COUNCIL FOR REQUIRED TRAINING PROGRAMS. Overall the Welfare Council supports the recommendations from the Infrastructure Council, especially those regarding user interface improvements. The Council supported the idea that, whenever legally permissible, a pre-test should be offered for the faculty member to demonstrate the required proficiency. The Council recommended that faculty be sent a list of required training at the beginning of the calendar year. While it would be more convenient for faculty to click on a link in an email that would take them directly to the training page (or course registration page), members of the Council expressed concern that some faculty could think that the email was part of a phishing attack and ignore or delete the message. It was suggested that the email notification include instructions to login into myUFL prior to clicking on the enclosed link to the required training. The Welfare Council pointed out that there did not appear to be a central authority for reviewing training content and delivery, and the ability to require updates when deemed necessary. The Council suggested that Human Resources should have that authority. The Council also supported Jodi Gentry's suggestion that these recommendations, along with those from the Infrastructure Council, be forwarded to Dr. Bob Parks for his review and comment.

New Business

Jasmeet Judge asked if the Council could receive an update on the progress of the Music building and the Faculty Club initiatives. Ray Thomas said he would seek information about these projects from senior administration at the Senate Steering Committee meeting and report back to the Council.

The membership in attendance decided to cancel the December 14th meeting.

The Welfare Council meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:15 a.m.