Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
August 30, 2012
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Reitz Union Auditorium

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m.

Cheri Brodeur welcomed senators and guests to the Faculty Senate meeting and introduced President Machen to present the State of the University Address.

State of the University Address
Bernie Machen, President

Action Items
The May 2012 minutes were approved.
Cheri Brodeur, Faculty Senate Chair

Honorary Degrees
Hartmut Derendorf, Member, Honorary Degree Committee
The Senate approved the candidates for Honorary Degrees: Yuichi Sugiyama.

Information Items

Chair’s Report
Cheri Brodeur, Faculty Senate Chair
- The Faculty were involved with the Presidential Search during the summer. Many faculty were involved in the actual process and there will be more opportunities for faculty input in the future.
- Cheri noted that she received many questions as to why she was not on the Presidential Search Committee. She suggested Scott Nygren to sit on the committee to allow her to contact potential candidates and communicate freely with all parties. Harry Klee and Ben Dunn are also representing faculty on the committee.
- Tom Mitchell from the Foundation has offered to setup an area to gather with coffee for faculty to talk about what they are doing in research and teaching. Also, plans are to have small gathering events throughout the year for new faculty.

150th Anniversary of the Morrill Act
Teresa Balser, Dean, Agriculture
- Morrill Act was signed into law by Abraham Lincoln on July 2, 1862: “An Act Donating public lands to the several states and [Territories] which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanical arts”
- Dr. Balser chairs the task force to plan a year of celebration. Task Force consisted of 45 members from all areas of the university.
- Events
  o Speakers, Awards, Symposia, TV and Radio Spots
Program Termination

Ken Gerhardt, Assoc. Dean, Graduate School

- Graduate Council approved the proposal to terminate the Master of Insurance. This program has not had students in many years.

New Statute Gen Ed HB7135

Bernard Mair, Assoc. Provost, Undergraduate Affairs and Joe Glover, Provost

- Statute 1007.25 was revised to “improve articulation and reduce excess hours” for students entering the State University System and Florida College System.
- New law states that State Board of Education and the Board of Governors shall appoint faculty committees to identify statewide general education core course options.
- General Education course options will consist of a maximum of 5 courses within each subject area: communications, mathematics, social sciences, humanities and natural sciences.
- Starting in 2014, each freshman must complete at least one core course in each subject area.
- The remaining requirements will be decided by the institution.
- General Education will consist of 30 credit hours and demonstrate competence in a foreign language. This is a change from 36 credit hours previously.
- The process will be directed by a state steering committee consisting of representatives from 5 SUS and 5 FCS institutions. Five faculty committees will also be formed to make recommendations of the actual courses to be included in the core.
- Each institution is required to nominate one faculty member in each of the five areas to serve on the committees with the Steering Committee making the final decision on the composition of the committees.
- Work should be completed by April 2013 at the state level.

Engineering Transcripts

Mark Law, Assoc. Dean, Engineering

- Currently, computer engineering tracks are printed out on transcripts. ABET, the accreditation agency has requested that the transcript prints the degree and not the track. Accreditation depends on this change. College of Engineering is working with the Registrar to correct this issue.

Mission Statement Task Force

Scott Nygren, Liaison, MSTF

- Interest to rewriting the mission statement has been ongoing for a year and a half.
- Last spring Faculty Council Chairs thought it was the right time to review the mission statement.
- Joint committee was put together with nominations from Faculty Council Chairs and approval of President.
- Some students have requested to add “global citizenship” to the mission statement.
- First meeting August 16 - -will continue to meet during the fall.
- Scott Nygren and Tim Brophy are liaisons.
- Once the task force formulates the mission statement, it will come before the Faculty Senate, then it must be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Presidential Search Committee

Scott Nygren, Member, Presidential Search Committee

- Board of Trustees formed the Presidential Search Committee in July.
- There are several subcommittees. Scott chairs the campus interview committee which is a subcommittee.
- First meeting of search committee was August 1.
We learned from the focus group that faculty want any candidate for President to have an academic background, advanced degree and experience managing a major research university.

Criteria has been approved and listed on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**Senators Attending**

Sophia Acord  
Charles Adams  
Mary Adkins  
Nagaraj Arakere  
Scott Banks  
Ramon Bautista  
Sherry Benton  
Sanford Berg  
Alexander Berkovich  
Jim Bice  
Donald Bolser  
Marcus Boston  
Babette Brumback  
Paul Chadik  
Edward Chan  
Jean Cibula  
Donald Cohen  
Jerry Culen  
Deb Cupples  
Florin Curta  
Harry Daniels  
Tammy Davidson  
Julie Dodd  
Kevin Farmer  
Kate Fogarty  
Robyn Gleason  
Renee Goodrich  
Charles Haddad  
Shannon Hamlett  
Jacob Hammer  
Candace Harper  
Christopher Hass  
Galia Hatav  
Cindy Higgins  
Richard Hill  
Shannon Holliday  
Alice Holmes  
Aida Hozic  
David Janicke  
Margeaux Johnson  
Mike Katovich  
Joseph Katz  
James Keesling  
Mary Keith  
Dmitry Kopelevich  
Dragan Kujundzic  
John Leavy  
Lora Levett  
Scott Livengood  
Rob MacKay  
Martin Main  
Renwei Mei  
Kimberly Moore  
Nawari Nawari  
Mahendrarajah Nimalendran  
David Ostrov  
John Palmer  
Deana Pelfrey  
Jorg Peters  
Mario Poceski  
William Properzio  
Neta Pulvermacher  
Patrick Reakes  
Robert Ries  
Beverly Roberts  
Andrew Rosalsky  
Beverly Sanders  
Kenneth Sassaman  
Christopher Scuderi  
James Seale  
Rich Segal  
Brent Sellers  
SA Sherif  
Steve Shugan  
Meera Sitharam  
Laura Sjoberg  
Maya Stanfield-Mazzi  
Keith Stanfill  
Craig Stanley  
John Stevely  
Carol Stewart  
Jake Streit  
Laurie Taylor  
Joseph Tepas  
Mark Tillman  
Amy Tobler  
Scott Tomar  
Sonal Tuli  
Neill Wallis  
Bradley Walters  
Lori Waxenberg  
Ann Wehmeyer  
Karen Whalen  
Joe Wilson  
Sandra Wilson  
Suzanne Wilson  
Andrew Wolpert  
Janet Yamamoto  
Mary Ellen Young  
Henry Zmuda  

**Liaisons**

Cammy Abernathy  
Teresa Balser  
Cheri Brodeur  
Teresa Dolan  
Elias Eldayrie  
Henry Frierson  
Paula Fussell  
Joe Glover  
David Guzick  
Kathy Long  
Bernie Machen
Scott Nygren
Linda Lavelli
Bernard Mair
Michael Perri
Maria Rogal
Judith Russell
David Sammons

Guests
Mark Law
Rose Pringle
John Harris
James McLesky
Kate Fogarty
Donna Giles
M E Swisher
Doug Jones
James Hamlin
Steven Thomas
Caryn Plummer
Abe Goldman

Students
Jose R. Soto