

**Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
November 20, 2014
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Reitz Union Auditorium**

Pradeep Kumar called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. October 2014 minutes were approved.

Chair's Report

Pradeep Kumar, Faculty Senate Chair

- APB Blue Team is in place. Members appointed are: Fiona Barnes (COB), Robert Hochmuth (IFAS), Madeline Joseph (MED-J) and Jane Smith (CLAS).
- Senate appointments to the UFOnline Advisory Committee are: Craig Tapley (COB), Lynn O'Sickey (Advising), Wendell Porter (IFAS), Jack Mecholsky (Engineering), Darin Acosta (CLAS) and Susan Semple-Rowland (MED).
- As a reminder, the next Senate meeting will be December 11.
- Chair Kumar explained to the Senate that he will be retiring on March 31. Paul Davenport, Chair-elect will take over on April 1.

President's Report

Bernie Machen, President

- President Machen announced that all at the University of Florida send condolences and prayers to the victims and to our colleagues on the campus who are faculty and members of the FSU community.
- President Machen explained what UF has done to make our campus as safe as it can be.
 - In September UPD increased its presence during evening hours. Chief Stump will provide greater police visibility in such places as the libraries, HSC, Law School.
 - Spoke to GPD about working together in case such as event should happen at UF. UF has always done mock-ups of "what if's" this would happen.
 - Chief Stump has reached out to her FSU counterpart to offer assistance.
 - Continuing transportation program that UF increased earlier for students at night. This includes doubling the number of SNAP vans, two circulator buses, extending the Later Gater hours, and providing police and student escorts for students on campus at late hours.
 - UFPD has long standing training for staff and students on how to respond in situations when there's an active shooter.
 - UF has a behavioral consultation team of mental health professionals that meets regularly.
 - Charlie Lane, COO, has created an ongoing working groups that meets regularly on the topic of making the campus safe.
 - Our UF Alert system where we communicate with each other emergencies. It is an opt-in system and we need everyone to realize how important it is to have more people engaged in this system.
 - We are looking into additional safety measures to implement in the future.

Provost's Report

Joe Glover, Provost

- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences Dean search is underway and the Provost encourages faculty to make nominations and assist the search the committee.
- Within the next week there will be a formal launch for the search of the Dean for College of Law. The Provost encourages faculty to nominate and assist the search committee.
- Questions:
 - Concern was raised that the Music facility is lacking in proper heat. This is a chronic problem and our facilities are worse than many high

schools. The Provost replied that Physical Plant understands about the cold music building and is working on addressing the problem. PECO funds are also used for renovation and upkeep of the buildings. However, the revenue source for PECO funds has collapsed due to fewer people using land line telephones. The legislature has discussed how to replace the PECO revenue source or find the funding to replace the PECO revenue source. As of today they have not found a solution.

Action Items:

Honorary Degrees

Stratford May, Chair,
Honorary Degree Committee

- The Senate approved Phillip Frost for an Honorary Degree.

Department Structure Change in the College of Nursing

Bernard Mair, Associate Provost,
Undergraduate Affairs

- This item was approved.

Approve Homecoming Holiday – Nov. 6, 2015

Bernard Mair, Associate Provost
Undergraduate Affairs

- Concerns were raised by David Groisser and Edith Kaan about the difficulty teaching classes with so many holidays in November.
 - This item was approved. (42 voted to approve [34 onsite and 8 offsite] and 17 against [16 onsite and 1 offsite])

Information Items:

University Curriculum Committee

Bernard Mair, Assoc. Provost
Undergraduate Affairs

- [Approve Academic Calendar for 2018-2019](#)
 - David Groisser proposed that Veteran's Day be observed on Sunday, November 11 instead of Monday, November 12
 - Edith Kaan asked about the early starting date of August 21. Dr. Mair explained that August 21 was chosen to keep the end of the semester too far down into December and graduation.

Graduate Council

Paul Duncan, Assoc. Dean, Graduate School

- [New Major Sustainable Construction](#)
- [Close Major – MAT Philosophy](#)

Constitution Committee

Christine Fruin, Chair, Constitution Committee

- [Proposed Revision of Bylaw 20\(A\)\(2\)\(b\)2](#)
 - These edits were brought more in line with the Academic Personnel Board regulation.

Faculty IT Subcommittee

Frank Bova, Chair, Faculty IT Subcommittee

- Frank Bova gave a short presentation on the Faculty IT Subcommittee that was created in 2013 by Faculty Senate Chair Cheri Brodeur.

[Campus Master Plan 2025](#)

Linda Dixon, Associate Director
Planning, Design and Construction

Meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Senators Attending

John Abbitt
Carrie Adams
Jane Bachelor
Derek Barber
Lars Beattie
Jim Bice
Gary Boulware
Kendal Broad
Samantha Brooks
Clay Calvert
Deb Cupples
Tammy Davidson
Julie Dodd
Silvio dos Santos
Robert Emerson
Lyn Gettys
Katerie Gladdys
Renee Goodrich
David Groisser
Jacob Hammer
Linda Hayward
Darryl Heard
Phyllis Hendry
Cindy Higgins
Daniel Hoh
Alice Holmes
Amanda House
Aida Hozic
Ray Issa
Delores James
Rae Jesano
Melissa Johnson
Edith Kaan
Mike Katovich
Akito Kawahara
Hayk Khachatryan
Mary Agnes Keith
Dragan Kujundzic
Mei-Fang Lan
Sherry Larkin
Haniph Latchman
Lora Levett
Alex Lucas
Bill Mahan

Valrie Minson
Paul Mueller
Larry Muszynski
Esther Obonyo
Walter O'Dell
Barbara Pace
Jorg Peters
Andrew Pitkin
Caryn Plummer
George Pringle
Cindy Prins
Patrick Reakes
Sarah Reuss
Mary Risner
Andrew Rosalsky
Richard Rose
Peter Sayeski
Elizabeth Shephard
Susan Semple-Rowland
Christopher Scuderi
Nipa Shah
Steve Shugan
Daniel Siragusa
Maya Stanfield-Mazzi
Keith Stanfill
Nicole Stedman
Stacey Steinberg
Margaret Temple-Smith
David Therriault
Sonal Tuli
Heather Vincent
Katie Vogel-Anderson
Ann Wehmeyer
Barbara Welsch
Nicole Whitehead
Caroline Wiltshire
Andrew Wolpert
Henry Young
Mary Ellen Young

Liaisons

Christine Fruin
Joe Glover
Marc Heft

Pradeep Kumar
Bernie Machen
Anna McDaniel
Barbara Wingo

Students

Josh Neumann

Guests

Frank Bova
Peggy Carr
Linda Dixon
Paul Duncan
Bernard Mair