# Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes December 8, 2016 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Reitz Union Chamber

Nicole Stedman, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and the November minutes were approved.

#### **Chair's Report**

#### Nicole Stedman, Faculty Senate Chair

- Distinguished Professor Lectures:
  - o Dr. Jeffery Jones, Plant Pathology January 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - o Dr. Mark Law, Electrical and Community Engineering February 6<sup>th</sup>
    - 4 p.m. at Emerson Alumni Hall
- Communications Survey beginning of Spring Semester
  - o How to communicate
  - What to communicate
  - o Cater to specific messages
- Academic Freedom and Responsibility Symposium working on dates for mid-Spring
- Senators needed:
  - Academic Assessment Committee
  - o Academic Policy Council

#### **President's Report**

#### Kent Fuchs, President

- Gifts
  - Andrew and Pamela Banks
    - \$30M for Endowed Professorships and the Machen Florida Opportunity Scholars
    - o Anita Zucker
      - \$10M for Early Childhood Education and Machen Florida Opportunity Scholars
- BOT Chair, Bill Heavener had lunch with Governor
  - o Two-page handout about UF used at luncheon
    - Rankings
    - Timeline for Metrics that Matter
    - Compares to other University as to affordability
- UF has presence in many parts of states
  - Opened 101<sup>st</sup> site in Coral Gables, Florida
- Statements by the President
  - Made as individual not on behalf of UF
  - o Joined other University Presidents regarding DACA in support of them

#### **Provost's Report**

Joe Glover, Provost

- Metrics
  - UF created own set of metrics
    - Undergraduate education
    - Graduate education
    - Financial resources
    - Research
    - Technology transfer
    - UF Ranking System approved by Board of Trustees



- Post-Doc Salaries
  - UF increased salary
  - Group of VP's met to go ahead with raising the salary for the post-docs
  - Wants to be competitive

#### **Action Items:**

#### Resolution – Library Funding

**Valrie Minson**, Chair, Research and Scholarship Council

- Faculty Senate Resolution to increase the funding for libraries
  - Challenges of providing collections when overall funding for the libraries has remained flat
  - Cost of big journal packages have increased from \$3.9M to \$5M while the overall materials budget has dropped from \$10.2M to \$10.1M.
  - o Resolution:
    - Resolution to Increase Funding for Libraries

WHEREAS, the Libraries are crucially important to the educational and research mission of the University of Florida, and

WHEREAS, due to inflation, the big journal packages serving all disciplines have increased from \$3.9M to \$5M between 2010 and 2016; and

WHEREAS, the overall budget for the UF Libraries has remained flat between 2010 and 2016;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Florida Faculty Senate, on behalf of the faculty of the University of Florida, resolves that libraries are crucially important to the research mission of the university. All avenues – in addition to sponsored programs – should be explored to fund the libraries.

This item passed.

#### Information Items:

## Creation of Department of Comparative Diagnostic and Population Medicine, CVM

**Paul Duncan**, Sr. Associate Dean Graduate School

- New academic department
  - Reorganization efforts
    - Transfer 23 faculty members to new department
    - Recruitment of new chair
    - Faculty support

### East Asian Languages and Literatures Program Realignment

Angela Lindner, Associate Provost

**Undergraduate Affairs** 

Sunset program as part of the Foreign languages and literatures

### **Open Discussion from Senate Floor**

Bruce Welt presented <u>a Resolution to oppose the salary increase</u> for post-docs that went into effect on December 1, 2016

- Vote to add as Information Item so it can move as an Action Item at the January meeting
  - o This item passed (45 to 25)



#### Jeanne Brady-College of Dentistry

- Before voting would like
  - How many faculty are involved
  - What disparity is in the amount of money
  - What programs or resources are available to faculty to help

#### **Provost Joe Glover**

David Norton, Vice President for Research has offered one-year of partial support to help alleviate the strain

Meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

#### Attending

James Keesling Senators John Abbitt **Heather Kent** Carrie Adams Yong Jae Ko Tanya Koropeckyj-Cox Suzan Alteri Luis Alvarez-Castro **Dennis Kramer** Dorina Avram Mei-Fang Lan John Lily Arunava Banerjee Gillian Lord Richard Berry Victoria Bird Volker Mai Helene Blondeau **Christopher Martinez Christopher Martyniuk** Rori Bloom Gary Boulware William McGehee Dimitri Bourilkov Ayalew Mergia Jeannine Brady **Nancy Moores** Kristy Breuhl Smith **Deborah Nistler** John Bromfield **Ashley Norse** Samantha Brooks Hannah Norton **Brandi Ormerod** 

Clay Calvert Janice Carrillo **Cindy Prins David Quillen** Michael Dark Michelle Darnell Keith Rambo Jeffrey Davis Jeanne Repetto Keith Diem Churchill Roberts Andrea Dutton Andrew Rosalsky John Erickson Leah Rosenberg Ashley Ghiaseddin Jean Francois Roulet Matthew Gurka Melody Royster Jacob Hammer Laila Samiian **George Harrison** Karen Sando Chris Hass Susan Schaffer

Fred Southwick **Heather Vincent** Kathie Vogel-Anderson

Jay Watkins Phil Wegner Ann Wehmeyer Kristin Weitzel **Bruce Welt** Patricia Woods Samuel Wu

Liaisons Kent Fuchs Joe Glover

Angel Kwolek-Folland Angela Lindner Valrie Minson Judith Russell Ana Spiguel Nicole Stedman

Students Eric Blair

Guests Tom Vickroy



Bernard Hauser

Susan Hegeman

Ianessa Humbert Melissa Johnson

Michael Kane

Stan Kaye

Marc Heft

Richard Scholtz

Liz Screaton Steve Shugan

**Amy Simonne** 

Steven Slutsky

Lauren Solberg

Elisa Sottile