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 23rd
  o Dr. Mark Law, Electrical and Community Engineering – February 6th
    ▪ 4 p.m. at Emerson Alumni Hall
• Communications Survey – beginning of Spring Semester
  o How to communicate
  o What to communicate
  o Cater to specific messages
• Academic Freedom and Responsibility Symposium – working on dates for mid-Spring
• Senators needed:
  o Academic Assessment Committee
  o Academic Policy Council

President’s Report      Kent Fuchs, President
• Gifts
  o 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
  o Opened 101st site in Coral Gables, Florida
• Statements by the President
  o 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
  o 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
  o UF increased salary
  o Group of VP’s met to go ahead with raising the salary for the post-docs
  o 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
  o Challenges of providing collections when overall funding for the libraries has remained flat
  o 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
  o 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 a Resolution to oppose the salary increase 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
  - 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**

*Senators*

John Abbitt  
Carrie Adams  
Suzan Alteri  
Luis Alvarez-Castro  
Dorina Avram  
Arunava Banerjee  
Richard Berry  
Victoria Bird  
Helene Blondeau  
Rori Bloom  
Gary Boulware  
Dimitri Bourilkov  
Jeannine Brady  
Kristy Breuhl Smith  
John Bromfield  
Samantha Brooks  
Clay Calvert  
Janice Carrillo  
Michael Dark  
Michelle Darnell  
Jeffrey Davis  
Keith Diem  
Andrea Dutton  
John Erickson  
Ashley Ghiaseddin  
Matthew Gurka  
Jacob Hammer  
George Harrison  
Chris Hass  
Bernard Hauser  
Marc Heft  
Susan Hegeman  
Ianessa Humbert  
Melissa Johnson  
Michael Kane  
Stan Kaye

*Senators*

Heather Kent  
Yong Jae Ko  
Tanya Koropeckyj-Cox  
Dennis Kramer  
Mei-Fang Lan  
John Lily  
Gillian Lord  
Volkmar Mai  
Christopher Martinez  
Christopher Martyniuk  
William McGehee  
Aylewe Mergia  
Nancy Moores  
Deborah Nistler  
Ashley Norse  
Hannah Norton  
Brandi Ormerod  
Cindy Prins  
David Quillet  
Keith Rambo  
Jeanne Repetto  
Churchill Roberts  
Andrew Rosalsky  
Leah Rosenberg  
Jean Francois Roulet  
Melody Royster  
Laila Samian  
Karen Sando  
Susan Schaffer  
Richard Scholtz  
Liz Screaton  
Steve Shugan  
Amy Simonne  
Steven Slutsky  
Lauren Solberg  
Elisa Sottile

*Liaisons*

Fred Southwick  
Heather Vincent  
Kathie Vogel-Anderson  
Jay Watkins  
Phil Wegner  
Ann Wehmeyer  
Kristin Weitzel  
Bruce Welt  
Patricia Woods  
Samuel Wu  
Kent Fuchs  
Joe Glover  
Angel Kwolek-Folland  
Angela Lindner  
Valrie Minson  
Judith Russell  
Ana Spiguel  
Nicole Stedman

*Students*

*Guests*

Eric Blair  
Tom Vickroy