David Quillen, chair, called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. and the November minutes were approved.

**Chair’s Report**  
*David Quillen, Faculty Senate Chair*
- Introduced new Faculty Senate staff member Laurie Bialosky who will replace Sue Alvers. Sue retires January 31, 2018.
- Will report next month on the December 14th – 15th Board of Trustees meeting.

**President’s Report**  
*Kent Fuchs, President*
- Wished members a safe and happy holiday season.

**Provost’s Report**  
*Joe Glover, Provost*
- To date, over 40,000 UF admissions applications have been received.
- Continuing search for new Director of Harn Museum of Art.
- Continuing search for new Dean of College of the Arts.

**Action Items:**

**Honorary Degree Candidates**  
*Rick Yost, Chair*  
_Honorary Degrees Committee*
- Recommended two candidates: Herbert Wertheim and William Foege.
  - Both candidates were approved.

**Name Change**  
*Angela Lindner, Associate Provost*  
_Undergraduate Affairs*
- This item was approved.

**Graduate Council**  
*Paul Duncan, Sr. Associate Dean*  
_Graduate School*
- Change MA in DAS from 36 to 30 credits
- Terminate Master of Science in Nursing
  - Letter of Termination
  - These items were approved.

**Rename Honorary Degree, Distinguished Alumnus**  
*Richard Scholtz, Chair*  
_Constitution Committee*
- This item was approved.

**Resolution in opposition to legislation allowing computer coding courses to substitute for foreign language study**  
*David Quillen, Chair*  
_Faculty Senate*
- This item was approved.
Information Items:

**Approve 2018 Homecoming Date**

- Relayed request by the University Athletic Association to set November 3rd as the 2018 Homecoming date.
- The date currently slated for Homecoming is October 13th (vs. Vanderbilt) which was approved five years ago. The next closest October date is October 6th (vs. LSU) and a later November date would conflict with Veteran's Day (on 11-12) and Thanksgiving break (11-21 to 11-23).
- UF plays Missouri on 11-3-18. Selection of this date for Homecoming 2018 will help increase game day attendance.

**Constitution Committee Report**

- Presented two changes to the university constitution and one change to the faculty senate bylaws including:
  - UF Constitution Article V(2)(B) Committee on Committees:
    - Change the review frequency of the committee from “on an annual basis” to “periodically.”
    - Remove the provision: “The Committee shall report to the Senate at least twice a year.”
  - UF Constitution Article V(4)(E) University Information Technology Committee
    - Amend the committee membership make-up, removing professional students.
  - Bylaw 20(A)(2)(b)1 Academic Assessment Committee
    - Change the committee’s review and recommendation responsibilities and make wording succinct.

**Open Discussion from Senate Floor** - *Three minute limit per speaker.*

- 1) University of Florida Faculty Senators
- 2) University of Florida Faculty

There was no discussion from the Senate floor.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

**Attending**

- *Senators*  
  - Ashley Booth-Norse  
  - Lyle Brenner  
  - John Bromfield  
  - Mary Brownell  
  - Jason Butler  
  - Janice Carrillo  
  - Xinguang ‘Jim’ Chen  
  - Christa Cook  
  - Tammy Davidson  
  - Kara Dawson  
  - John Diaz

- *Keith Diem*  
  - Silvio dos Santos  
  - John Erickson  
  - Hugh Fan  
  - Joshua Freeman  
  - Joseph Gagnon  
  - Jiam Ge  
  - Ashley Ghiaseddin  
  - Reetu Grewal  
  - Matthew Gurka  
  - Youssef Haddad
Ralph Hamor
Carrie Harmon
Marc Heft
Susan Hegeman
Phyllis Hendry
YongJae Ko
Tanya Koropecyj-Cox
Dennis Kramer
Mei-Fang Lan
Margaret Lo
Gillian Lord
Ashley MacSuga-Gage
Kalen Manasco
Christopher Martyniuk
William McGehee
Jack Mecholsky
Gloria Miller
Julia Morrisroe
Michael Mulvaney
Scott Myers
Irfan Nasir
Deborah Nistler
Brandi Ormerod
Mario Poceski
Cindy Prins
David Quillen
Keith Rambo
Churchill Roberts
Andrew Rosalsky
Leah Rsenberg
Jean-Francois Roulet
Susan Schaffer
Keith Schneider
Richard Scholtz
James Seale
Patricia Sohn
Lauren Solberg
Elisa Sottile
Martin Sorbille
Ravi Srinivasan
Ray Thomas
Scott Thompson
Patrick Troy
Hans van Oostrom
Wagner Vendrame
Katie Vogel-Anderson
Phil We4gner
Nicole Whitehead

Liaisons
Angela Bacsik
Angela Linder
Stephen Pritz
Nicole Stedman

Students
Mirna Amaya
Punam Amratia

Guests
-None-