

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2017 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Reitz Union Chamber

David Quillen, chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and the August minutes were approved.

Chair's Report

David Quillen, Faculty Senate Chair

- Dr. Quillen was impressed with how the university handled hurricane Irma. There were many moving parts and stated how proud he was how everything was handled.
- There will be a big event in the O'Connell Center to kick off the 4th Capital Campaign on October 13 from 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. event. All the faculty are invited. Dr. Quillen encouraged the faculty to attend.
- Dr. Quillen gave an update on the Richard Spencer Oct 19 event. Faculty Senate meeting is on that date and we expect to have a Senate meeting on that date.

President's Report

Kent Fuchs, President

- President Fuchs thanks the faculty and acknowledged the difficulty faculty are experiencing after the hurricane, not only dealing with personal damage but also for having to fit in student curriculum for the shortened semester and accommodating student.
- UF was ranked in the public universities top 10 in *US News and World Report* and *Wall Street Journal*.
- President Fuchs rejects an editorial from Gainesville Sun that ran a few days ago that UF has not been inconsistent with the Richard Spencer event.
 - President Fuchs representing UF denounces Mr. Spencer's viewpoint and rhetoric.
 - If UF believes that the event will risk the safety of the university and community, this event will be banned from campus.
 - However, UF is a state university and legally cannot censor speech in anyway. If there is a reasonable assurance of safety UF has to allow rental its facilities. The university is in discussion with Mr. Spencer and his organization to have the event on October 19th.
 - October 19th is the Faculty Senate meeting and President Fuchs plans to attend the Senate meeting not Mr. Spencer's event.
- [Charlie Lane gave a report on the planning process before, during and after hurricane Irma.](#)

Provost's Report

Joe Glover, Provost

- Provost Glover gave a report on a conference call with provosts of the state university system staff about extending the academic calendar because of hurricane Irma. Before the call, Provost Glover discussed extending calendars with the deans, UF decided that extending the calendar was not necessary.
- The university should be proud of the UF's ranking in US News and World Report. The ranking largely depends on the quality of the undergraduate class and to some extent, peer impression from provosts around the country.

Action Items:

Department Name Change Request

College of Veterinary Medicine

- This item passed

Angel Kwolek-Folland, Associate Provost
Academic and Faculty Affairs

Meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

Attending

Senators

John Abbitt
Sophia Acord
Damian Adams
Abhinav Alakshendra
Luis Alvarez-Castro
Dorina Avram
Richard Berry
Jim Bice
Victoria Bird
Vincent Bird
Helene Blondeau
Rori Bloom
Donald Bolser
Jeannine Brady
Lyle Brenner
Kristy Breuhl Smith
John Bromfield
Mary Brownell
Jason Byrd
Judy Callahan
Clay Calvert
Janice Carrillo
Nico Cellinese
Charles Cobb
James Collins
Christa Cook
Joseph Costa
Yenisel Cruz-Almeida
Tammy Davidson
Kara Dawson
Keith Diem
John Diaz
Silvio dos Santos
Andrea Dutton
Tammy Euliano
Hugh Fan
Michael Fang
Ben Fernandez
Joseph Gagnon
Jian Ge
Reetu Grewal
Youssef Haddad
Ralph Hamor
Chris Hass
Bernard Hauser
Susan Hegeman

Ianessa Humbert
Michael Kane
Yong Jae Ko
Tanya Koropecyj-Cox
Mei-Fang Lan
Gillian Lord
Ashley MacSuga-Gage
Volker Mai
Kalen Manasco
Christopher Martinez
Robert McCleery
William McGehee
Jack Mecholsky
Gloria Miller
Julia Morrisroe
Michael Mulvaney
Scott Myers
Irfan Nasir
Hannah Norton
Mario Poceski
Cindy Prins
David Quillen
Keith Rambo
Joseph Riley
Churchill Roberts
Andrew Rosalsky
Jean-Francois
Melody Royster
Laila Samilian
Susan Schaffer
Keith Schneider
Richard Scholtz
Patricia Sohn
Martin Sorbille
Elisa Sottile
Fred Southwick
Richard Stepp
Scott Thompson
Patrick Troy
Hans van Oostrom
Wagner Vendrame
Katie Vogel-Anderson
Christopher Vulpe
Ratree Wayland
Phil Wegner
Bruce Welt
Nicole Whitehead

Hui Zou

Liaisons

Kent Fuchs
Joseph Glover
Angel Kowlek-Folland
Charlie Lane
Ana Spiguel

Students

Isabella Alfonso
Sloan Bochman
Janae Moodie
Ann Wehmeyer

Guests

Kenneth Allen
Chief Linda Stump-Kurnik
Tom Vickroy