

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2016, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Reitz Union Auditorium

Paul Davenport called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and the January minutes were approved.

Chair's Report

Paul Davenport, Faculty Senate Chair

- Regulations will be reviewed tomorrow by the Constitution Committee.
- At Gator Day in Tallahassee the University had an incredible amount of support from the Gator legislators.

President's Report

Kent Fuchs, President

- After speaking at a recent memorial service, President Fuchs asked that senators remember how precious and special our students are and thanked faculty for taking care of our students, teaching, advising and mentoring them.
- President Fuchs wrote his monthly [guest column in the Alligator](#) thanking UF's staff.
- UF recently admitted the new class of undergraduates.
 - The goal enrollment number is 6700 out of 32,000 applications.
 - The average weighted GPA is 4.35.
 - Percentage of students who are in top 5% of their high school class is about a quarter of the admitted students.
 - 20 percent of the admitted students are from under-represented groups.

Provost's Report

Joe Glover, Provost

- The Provost updated the senate on a couple items.
 - UF is in the midst of interviews for the Vice President of Student Affairs. One candidate was on campus last week and two will be arriving in the future.
- The search for the Design, Construction and Planning Dean is continuing with the search committee soon deciding on three finalists. Campus interview will start after spring break.
- February 20th is the ribbon cutting for the Reitz Union renovation.

Information Items:

Student Government

Joselin Padron-Rasines, Student Body President

- Joselin Padron-Rasines gave a short update on this year's accomplishments of the UF Student Government
 - Joselin came into office with three goals: Accessibility, Affordability, and Accountability.
 - Created Gender neutral restrooms
 - Lobbied in Tallahassee
 - Added UF Safe Rides
 - Presents Mental Health Awareness Week
 - Creating Gator Career Closet

New Major: [Construction Productivity](#)

Paul Duncan, Associate Dean, Graduate School

- This is a new major in Construction Productivity from College of Design, Construction and Planning that was approved at the January Graduate Council meeting. Plans are to make this effective Summer 2016.

Summer Camps and Housing Requests

Robert W. Ostrow, Director
Housing for Conference Services

- Robert Ostrow informed the Senate about long term, short term and intern housing that has become available.
 - Apartments that are available have 1 or 2 bedrooms, furnished, equipped kitchens, bed/bath linen, laundry service, inclusive utilities and TV.
 - Long term apartments have a two week minimum and are located in Corry Village Building 277
 - Short term apartments must have a three night minimum stay and located in Beaty, Jennings, Rawlings and Reid dormitories.
 - Interns apartments are available during summer C, located in Beaty Towers, is a suite style, is fully furnished and has a full kitchen.

Constitution Revisions

David Groisser, Chair, Constitution Committee

- David Groisser presented the Constitution Committee’s recommended changes to the Senate. These will be an action item at the next meeting.

Dr. Davenport reminded the Senate that the nominations for Chair-Elect are still open. Candidates can self-nominate.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Senators Attending

Carrie Adams
Luis Alvarez-Castro
Jane Bachelor
Trevor Bopp
Gary Boulware
Jeannine Brady
Samantha Brooks
Thomas Buford
Clay Calvert
Nico Cellinese
James Collins
Michael Dark
Paul Davenport
Tammy Davidson
Daniel Estrada
Ibrahim Faruqi
Roger Fillingim
Joshua Freeman
Lyn Gettys
Katerie Gladdys
Renee Goodrich
David Groisser
Charles Haddad
Jacob Hammer
Chris Hass
Darryl Heard

Phyllis Hendry
Amanda House
Edith Kaan
Michael Kane
Bahareh Keith
Mei-Fang Lan
Sherryl Larkin
Haniph Latchman
John Lilly
Gillian Lord
Volker Mai
Christopher Martinez
Valrie Minson
Nancy Moores
Larry Muszynski
Scott Myers
Walter O’Dell
Mark Panning
Andrew Pitkin
David Quillen
Sarah Reuss
Alice Rhoton-Vlasak
Jeffrey Rollins
Andrew Rosalsky
Richard Rose
Melody Royster

Karen Sando
Susan Schaffer
Liz Screatton
Susan Semple-Rowland
Nipa Shah
Elizabeth Shephard
Steve Shugan
Amy Simmone
Tina Smith-Bonahue
Lauren Solberg
Fred Southwick
Elisa Sottile
Margaret Temple-Smith
Ray Thomas
Jenny Tucker
Sonal Tuli
Hans van Oostrom
Katie Vogel-Anderson
Ratree Wayland
Ann Wehmeyer
Kristin Weitzel
Karen Whalen
Caroline Wiltshire
Mary Ellen Young

Liaisons

Kent Fuchs
Joe Glover
Ana Spiguel
Nicole Stedman
Elaine Turner

Students

Nathan Blinn

Guests

Paul Duncan
Robert W. Ostrow
Joselin Padron-Rasiines