

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

---

Paul Davenport called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. and the April minutes were approved.

**Chair's Report**

**Paul Davenport**, Faculty Senate Chair

- Chair Davenport presented Dr. David Kratzer with a Proclamation from the Faculty Senate.

*WHEREAS, Vice President of Student Affairs Major General David Kratzer has served the students of the University of Florida with great care, compassion, and excellence since 1986; and*

*WHEREAS, Vice President Kratzer has provided guidance and insight into student affairs with his service as Director of the Reitz Union; Associate Vice President, Interim Vice President, and Vice President of Student Affairs; and his tenure has been through many challenges and he provided unwavering support of the students and families of the University; and*

*WHEREAS, the growth and renovation of the student facilities on campus has largely been under his guidance, with special attention to the University's first residence hall for students with mobile-related disabilities and the newly renovated Reitz Union;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Faculty Senate of the University of Florida, at its regular meeting this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2016, recognizes Vice President of Student Affairs Major General David Kratzer's most commendable service to the University of Florida.*

**University Budget Update**

**Joe Glover**, Provost

- Provost Glover gave a presentation on the University Budget. He noted that one of the highest priorities of the President is compensation. Plans are to give raise packages to faculty, staff and graduate assistants effective January 1, 2017. The university is also concerned about the student-faculty ratio.
- Legislature passed a law requiring the university to post textbooks 45 days before the semester.
  - Chair Davenport mentioned that the legislation includes a rule that once a faculty member adopts a required textbook it must be used for three years.

**Action Items:**

**Faculty IT Committee**

**Jose Trevino**, Chair  
Committee on Committees

- The Committee on Committees asks that the Senate approve the addition of another Senate committee called the Faculty IT Committee.
  - This item was passed.

## Information Items:

### Office of Academic Affairs

#### Faculty Awards AY 2015-2016

**Angel Kwolek-Folland**, Associate Professor  
Academic and Faculty Affairs

- Angel Kwolek-Folland gave the annual report on awards given by the Office of Academic Affairs.
  - Categories for awards are:
    - Teaching and Scholarship
    - Undergraduate Teaching
    - Advising and Mentoring
    - Research and Professional Development
    - Leadership Programs

### Update on Climate Survey

**Angel Kwolek-Folland**, Associate Professor  
Academic and Faculty Affairs

- The climate survey was offered between October 27 – November 27, 2015. It was designed to help determine how well the university fosters an overall sense of belonging for faculty and staff.
- Overall UF had an excellent response rate.
- Sue Rankin and Rankin and Associates will be on campus to discuss high-level summaries of the findings from a university-wide perspective.
- Faculty and staff open forums will start in June and continue through early October to begin brainstorming action items.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

### **Senators Attending**

John Abbitt  
Sherry Ahrentzen  
Luis Alvarez-Castro  
Wayne Archer  
Ashley Booth Norse  
Trevor Bopp  
Jeanine Brady  
Kristy Breuhl Smith  
Mary Brownell  
Clay Calvert  
James Collins  
Paul Davenport  
Tammy Davidson  
Keith Diem  
Sylvain Dore  
Daniel Estrada  
Ibrahim Faruqi  
Roger Fillingim  
Joshua Freeman  
Darryl Heard  
Marc Heft  
Amanda House  
Melissa Johnson  
Edith Kaan

Heather Kent  
Mei-Fang Lan  
Alex Lucas  
John Lilly  
Christopher Martinez  
William McGehee  
Nancy Moores  
Walter O'Dell  
Mark Panning  
David Quillen  
Sarah Reuss  
Alice Rhoton-Vlasak  
Mary Risner  
Andrew Rosalsky  
Richard Rose  
Leah Rosenberg  
Jean-Francois Roulet  
Melody Royster  
Susan Schaffer  
Nipa Shah  
Amy Simmone  
Meera Sitharam  
Tina Smith-Bonahue  
Elisa Sottile

Fred Southwick  
Ray Thomas  
Hans van Oostrom  
Katie Vogel-Anderson  
Ratree Wayland  
Ann Wehmeyer  
Kristin Weitzel  
Patricia Woods  
Yafeng Yin

### **Liaisons**

Joe Glover  
Angel Kwolek-Folland  
Jose Trevino