



Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2022 - 3:00 p.m.

Reitz Union, Chamber Room, Ground Floor

<https://mediasite.video.ufl.edu/Mediasite/Channel/8456cbab10b449868436ee51ddb84dc45f/watch/feaea38d1bcd43feb51cbd25b40495901d>

Call to order &

Amanda Phalin, Chair

Approval of [September 22, 2022 Minutes](#) & [October 10, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes](#)

- Both minutes were approved

Reports

- **[Chair's Report](#)**

Amanda Phalin, Chair

- Chair Phalin presented [slides](#) which provided shared governance updates; discussed the UF Presidential Search process steps, explained her viewpoints and shared her experiences with and feedback about the candidates she interviewed (video timestamp: 24:47 to 42:04); and invited Presidential Search Committee faculty members Duane Mitchell and David C. Bloom (Past Faculty Senate Chair) to address faculty inquiries. (The third faculty search committee member Lisa Lundy was unable to attend today and can also be contacted.) Drs. Mitchell and Bloom answered inquiries and shared their perspectives. (video timestamp: 42:05 to 1:31:56).
- Following an inquiry, Parliamentarian Joseph Little ruled that, per [Faculty Senate Bylaw 4\(G\)\(1\)\(b\)](#) and [Constitution Article IV Section 4](#), a special meeting of the Senate may be called upon petition to the Chair of at least 25 voting members of the Senate, provided that at least two petitioning members are from different academic units. Following discussion, a motion calling for a special meeting passed.
- Following discussion, a motion to invite UF Presidential candidate Dr. Ben Sasse to the special meeting failed with 35 opposed and 30 in favor.

- **President's Report**

Kent Fuchs, President

- Go Greater Fundraising campaign ends in December and a donor celebration was held last Friday. 4.5 billion dollars have been raised thus far. President Fuchs provided context for the campaign, including what it funds, past campaign and state funding numbers, and numbers relative to UF peer institutions and top fundraising institutions.

- **Provost's Report**

Joe Glover, Provost

- Provost Glover relayed that the Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering Dean interviews will continue over the next few weeks.

Information Items:

Graduate Council

Tom Kelleher, Graduate School

- [Close M.Ed. with a Major in Mathematics Education](#)

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

- This is a proposal from the College of Education to close the Master of Education with a major in

Mathematics Education. There have been no admitted or graduated students from this degree in four years.

- [Modify the curriculum for the MS with a major in Medical Sciences & a concentration in Gerontology](#)
- The College of Medicine seeks to modify the curriculum, from 36 to 30 credits, for the Master of Science with a major in Medical Sciences and a concentration in Gerontology.
- [Create the Graduate Degree Master of Science in Business Analytics](#)
- This is a proposal from the Warrington College of Business to create the graduate degree Master of Science in Business Analytics, which will be a 36 credit Master degree.

Introduction of the Hamilton Center & Director Stinneford

John Stinneford, Director, Hamilton Center
Edward Rood Eminent Scholar Chair, Law Prof.

- Director Stinneford introduced himself and the new Hamilton Center and discussed the authorizing legislation for the establishment of the center; the planned activities and objectives for the center; and the value it adds to other units at the university. Inquiries were answered and the center's multidisciplinary aspects, planned collaborations, and mission were discussed.

BOT Regulations

Charlene Luke, Chair, University
Constitution & Regulations Committee
(UCRC)

- University Constitution & Regulations Committee (UCRC) Chair Charlene Luke shared university regulations which will be considered by the Board of Trustees (BOT) this fall.
- The UCRC has adopted a color-coded key for easily informing the Faculty Senate of proposed regulation changes that may affect Senators or their colleagues:
 - **Red** – proposed changes affect the faculty; please review and comment as appropriate.
 - **Yellow** – proposed changes may affect or be of interest to faculty; senators may want to review and comment as appropriate.
 - **Green** – proposed changes likely have minimal effect on faculty and do not necessarily warrant further review by the senators.
- Each [regulation](#) was lit as follows:

1.005 Prohibition of Discrimination in University Training or Instruction. Red

1.202 University Bonus Plans. Red

1.600 Educational Research Centers for Child Development. Yellow

7.049 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability and Transparency. Red

2.0031 Identification Card Program - Repeal. Green

6.015 Outside Activity Guidelines (IFAS) - Repeal. Yellow

- Inquiries related to the following proposed regulations were addressed by the following individuals, who can also be contacted if there are further questions:

-- 1.005 - Provost Joe Glover clarified the process noted in item 3, which pertains to the investigation of complaints, which are forwarded to his office by HR.

-- 1.202 - Interim VP of HR Melissa Curry clarified that, although subject to public records requests, bonuses are not part of the UF employees' base salary which are published under Sunshine Law. This proposed regulation will also allow bonus schemes to continue under HR's standard practices.

-- 6.015 – Associate VP for Operations with UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, clarified that the repeal of this regulation was presented to the IFAS faculty assembly

and to faculty via a survey and no concern was expressed. By eliminating this regulation, all UF/IFAS faculty and staff would simply follow the UF guidelines instead of separate ones.

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

- 1) University of Florida Faculty Senators
 - Senator Michael K. Davis (MED) and Senator Steven Tufts (BUS) provided their perspectives on and sought clarification about the content of the upcoming vote of no confidence at the special meeting. Chair Phalin asked Senator Breann Garbas (MED) to please forward her motion and specific language tonight to FacultySenateChair@aa.ufl.edu so that the Faculty Senate Secretary can meet the required seven-day [posting](#) deadline for Faculty Senate agendas.
- 2) University of Florida Faculty
 - There was no discussion from University of Florida faculty.

Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

Attending

Senators

Holly Abeels
Jose Abisambra
Angela Bacsik
Ludmila Veloso Barbosa De Faria
Imre Bartos
Norman Beatty
Donald Behringer
Lauren Berkow
Sally Bethart
Mario Binelli
Jeremiah Blanchard
David Bloom
Michael Bumbach
Megan Butala
Andrea Caloiaro
Rachel Carrico
Nico Cellinese
Jinghua Chen
Konstantina Christodouloupoulou
Mayra Cordero
Cynda Crawford
Megan Daly
Michael K. Davis
Thomas Denagamage
Richard B. Dickinson
William P. Dishong
Randell Doty
Guy El Helou
James Essegbey
Sara M. Falzarano
Jamie Foster
Breann Garbas
Jamie Garner
Laurie Gauger
John N. George
Frank Gibson
Vivian Gonsalves
Reetu Grewal

Liwei Gu
Barry Hartz
Robert L. Hatch
Selman Hershfield
Amie Hoefnagel
Hélène Huet
Robert W. Huigens, III
Flora Iff-Noel
Sarah Rajkumari Jayasekaran
Frederick 'Rick' Kates
Marcus Kirk
Valeria Kleiman
Sujata Krishna
McKenzie Landrum
Zhigang Li
Maureen Long
Charlene Luke
Sarah Lynne
Lucas Majure
Diba Mani
A. Corinne Manley
Alexandra Mannix
Anne Mathews
Mindy McAdams
John A. Mendoza-Garcia
Carey Minter
Charles Mitchell
Marjorie Montanez-Wiscovich
Walter Lee Murfee
Monika Oli
Jorg Peters
Ana Puig
Czerne Reid
Margarete Ribeiro Dasilva
Mary Risner
Jemmie Robertson
David Gaddis Ross
Judi Schack-Dugre
Matthew C. Smith
Peter Sprowls
Ravi Srinivasan
Ruth Steiner

Svetlana Stepchenkova
Richard Stepp
Catherine Striley
Imanol Suarez-Palma
Melanie G. Taylor
Steve Tufts
Anastasia Ulanowicz
Hannah Vander Zanden
Wagner Vendrame
Nathalie Wall
Nian Wang
Houston A. Wells
Tony S. Wen
Gene Witmer
Sarah Wolking
Stefanie Wulff
Alexander York
Jennifer Zedalis

Liaisons

David C. Bloom
Melissa Curry
Kent Fuchs
Joe Glover
Tom Kelleher
Joseph W. Little
Taylor Rose
Sean Trainor
Danaya Wright

Student Senators

Sadie Carey
Emma Carlson
Riya Chakraborty
Anthony Valenzuela
Paul Wassel
Alex Wong

Guests

Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Duane Mitchell
John Stinneford