

Faculty Senate Steering Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2012
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
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Attendees: Christine Fruin, Judy Russell, Marc Heft, Jay Watkins, Scott Nygren, Sue Alvers, Cheri Brodeur, Barbara Wingo, Lee Catledge, Jim Ferrer, Stephanie Gray, Mark Tillman, Mike Katovich, Pradeep Kumar, Joe Glover, Sandra Russo, Andy McCollough, Maria Rogal, and Bernard Mair.

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

October minutes were approved.

Chair's Report

Cheri Brodeur, Faculty Senate Chair

- Friendly reminder that the next Steering Committee meeting is November 29 (for December).
- Attended CIO's breakfast along with faculty representatives from the colleges. Faculty that attended had a long list of concerns from infrastructure to teaching to IRB. Should we consider adding another IT council? Those that attended the breakfast thought it to be a good idea.
 - Mike Katovich voiced concern that the Nominating Committee has a difficult time filling the spots on current council and committees.
 - A suggestion was made to setup an ad hoc committee instead.
 - Mike Katovich made a motion and Pradeep Kumar seconded to set up an ad hoc IT committee. The motion was passed.
 - Members on this ad hoc committee will be the faculty representatives who attended the CIO breakfast.
- The CIO asked the Faculty Senate to co-sponsor a security seminar. The CIO's office would do the organizing
- Presidential search is still in the outreach stage. Cheri asked faculty to post questions on the Faculty Senate discussion site. These questions will be used for the search committee, faculty forum and when Cheri as Board of Trustee member interviews the candidates.
- Some colleges have had questions about Article VI, Section 3(D) in the constitution. Cheri presented this to the Constitution Committee who thought that the beginning of Article VI, Section 3(D) reads well, but the last part needs to be cleaned up. Steering recommended that Article VI, Section 3(D) should be sent back to the Constitution Committee with the following wording recommendation for the last sentence:
 - *In those instances where the departmental committee does not concur with the nominee of the dean(s) of the college(s), that committee's dissenting report should be forwarded to the President along with the nomination made by the dean(s).*

Provost's Report

Joe Glover, Provost

- There's an ongoing search to fill the Dean for Health and Human Performance position. The Health Science Center is also in various stages in its search to fill several dean positions.
- The Governor's Blue Ribbon Committee on Higher Education will present its recommendation to the Board of Governors next week.

Homecoming Date for 2013**Bernard Mair**, Assoc. Provost,
Undergraduate Affairs

- Because of the expansion of the SEC and the schedule of away football games for 2013 the UAA would like to place the Homecoming holiday with Veteran's Day as it is for 2012.
- Dr. Mair reminded the committee that the Senate approved a student holiday on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving during 2012, 2013, and 2014 with the condition that it is to be re-evaluated before officially adding to the regular academic calendar. He suggested that the Senate should think about how it will proceed with this evaluation. The Steering Committee agreed that this should be done in Spring 2013.

PI Reporting Tool & Cayuse**Jim Ferrer**, Asst. Vice President
Finance and Planning

- Principle Investigators have been requesting an up-to-date online tool to see how much of their grant funds are available.
- Enterprise Systems, Finance and Planning and Sponsored Research have been working to develop a web tool that looks and works like a regular bank account.
- Phase 1 is ready for roll out. PIs can find under "My Investigator"

Open Access**Judy Russell**, Dean
Libraries

- Last year the Faculty Senate passed a resolution to sign the Berlin Declaration on Open Access.
- In March 2012 the Faculty Senate charged the University Libraries Committee to develop and recommend an Open Access Policy for UF
- The ULC voted last week to accept the draft of the proposed policy and would like to have this added to the Senate Agenda as an Information Item then Action Item.
- Because the policy was distributed prior to the presentation, the Steering Committee decided to postpone discussion in order to allow members to review the proposed policy. The Steering Committee also suggested that it go before the Infrastructure Council.

E-Learning**Andy McCollough**, Assoc. Provost
Teaching and Technology

- Cheri asked Dr. McCollough to give a shortened version of the presentation on ELearning that he and Dr. Glover did before the Board of Trustees to the Faculty Senate.
- Currently UF has 70 graduate courses and 10 undergraduate courses online with about 7000 enrollment which is a 10% increase.
- Plans are to explain to the senate where UF is in online learning and where the university plans to go with this in the future.
- UF is participating with MOOCs by joining Coursera.
- The state of Florida is also investigating creating an online university. The Board of Governors hired a consulting group who will give a report at the Board of Governors next meeting.

Guide Book for Committee Business**Cheri Brodeur**, Chair

- Members were asked to review the guidebook and reply to Sue with corrections and suggestions.

Council Reports

- **Research and Scholarship Council** **Sandra Russo, Vice-Chair**
 - Nothing to report as the council meets next week
- **Welfare Council** **Deanna Pelfrey, Chair**
 - November 2 meeting is rescheduled to November 30
 - Council is working on 360 evaluations
 - Promotion aspect for lecturers. The paperwork for tenure does not apply for lecturers.
- **Academic Policy Council** **Maria Rogal, Chair**
 - Next meeting is November 14.
 - The council will review college responses on posthumous degrees.
 - Faculty review of administrators. How frequent and what should be asked?
 - Engineering request about adding a tract on the transcript
- **Budget Council** **Brian Harfe, Chair**
 - Nothing to report as the council meets tomorrow
- **Infrastructure Council** **Jay Watkins, Chair**
 - Mario Poceski is to report on Open Access
 - Fedro Zazeuta gave an information technology update
 - Parking and Transportation is investigating charging for game day parking.

Agenda for November Faculty Senate Meeting

- Agenda for November 15, 2012 Faculty Senate meeting was approved with revisions.

Meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.