

Senate Minutes
December 15, 2005
3:00 -5:00 P.M.
Reitz Union Auditorium

Agenda:

Approval of November 17, 2005 minutes
Reports
Information Items
Open Discussion from Floor of Senate

Kim Tanzer, Chair

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 P.M.

The minutes of the November 17, 2005 meeting were approved

Chair's Report

Kim Tanzer, Chair

Professor Tanzer updated the senate on Policy Council issues of interest. The Budget Council is looking into merit pay plans. Each unit should have accessible merit pay plans available. The Academic Policy Council is looking into revisiting the minus grades issue and is revisiting the student honor code to verify that adequate faculty input was included in the changes. Contact Joan Frosch if you would like to be involved. The Welfare Council is looking at tenure practices by college and Kyle Cavanaugh's office is engaging in discussions and exploration of the potential interests in creating a Dispute Resolutions Office to handle grievances. The Infrastructure Council is looking into the possibility of some proceeds of the Library Starbucks going to the library. They are also looking into transportation issues.

Sandra Chance and Barbara Wingo are researching the legality of establishing an electronic voting policy before a committee to research the subject is created.

Call for nominations for committees will begin on January 20th. (The Friday following the January 19th Senate meeting.) Self nominations are encouraged. Please have the approval of the intended nominee before nominating a colleague. Also, verify the nominee meets any established criteria for committee membership.

The first 2006 Spring Faculty Development Series will take place on January 11. The subjects are: the importance and benefits of diversity, "Women in Leadership and Administration," and "Empowering First Generation College Students." All sessions will be held in room 282 of the J. Wayne Reitz Union.

Professor Tanzer reported that she is working with Joe Goldberg, Student Government President, and Jess Johnson, Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs, to create a Faculty/Student summit in the spring.

Professor Tanzer presented the grade distribution chart, faculty productivity data, and tuition data.

President's Report

Bernie Machen, President

Dr. Machen reported that he met with the Board of Trustees and state representatives to review budget priorities for the upcoming year. The priorities are to: have

a statute written that would allow the University set in and out of state tuition for graduate and professional programs; increase the amount available for state buildings; have state funded salary increases for faculty and staff; full implementation of the physician upper limit payment program; continue the state matching donations and matching building funds program; acquire funds to provide health insurance for graduate students and post doctoral students on appointments.

Dr. Machen also discussed the Florida opportunities scholarship fund which will assist families who need tuition assistance but do not qualify for federal financial aid.

Information Items:

Curriculum Changes

Sheila Dickison, Chair University Curriculum Committee

- Academic Calendars 2007-2008 through 2010-2011
Dr. Dickison presented the 2007-2008 through 2010-2011 academic calendars.
- BA option to existing BS Degree in Astronomy
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Dr. Dickison presented information about the BA in Astronomy.

Constitution Changes

Chris Snodgrass, Chair Constitution Committee

FAAC- Dr. Snodgrass presented the language to eliminate the Faculty Academic Advisory Council.

Faculty Senate Chair Elect Voting Procedures

A majority of those Senators voting shall be necessary for election.

The nominee having the greatest number of votes shall be the Chair Elect if such number represents a majority of the Senators voting. If no nominee receives a majority of votes, the Senate shall choose the Chair Elect by means of run-off ballots among nominees with the two highest numbers of votes, until one nominee receives a majority.

Steering Committee Membership Language- pulled due to new information regarding the proposed change.

Policy Council Membership Language

Article V Section 7 Part C

The President shall appoint non-voting ex officio members to provide special expertise on **Senate Policy Councils and on** Senate and Joint Committees when necessary.

Article V Section 3

Dr. Snodgrass presented additional language to clarify the roles of policy councils.

Open Discussion from Floor of Senate:

Senators engaged in an open floor discussion of various issues of interest.

The meeting adjourned at 4:03 P.M.

Senator Attendees:

Jean Andino
Samin Anghaie
Joe Aufuth
Jerry Bartz
MaryLou Behnke
Karen Bjorndal
Paul Blazer
David Bloom
Linda Bloom
David Bloomquist
Kenneth Boote
William Buhi
Regina Bures
Regina Bussing
Margaret Carr
Christy Carter
Bill Chen
Jacob Chung
John Cisar
Phillip Clark
Roxanne Connelly
Maureen Conroy
Oscar Crisalle
Jerry Cutler
Lori Dangler
Mark Davis
Laura Ellis
Alison Fox
Elizabeth Frazier
Donald Graetz
Jesse Gregory
Ellis Greiner
Cynthia Griffin
Frederick Hamann
Curt Hannah
Peter Hansen
Carrie Haskell-Luevano
Marc Hoit
Alice Holmes
Lisa House
Mike Katovich

William Kem
Kristen Kemple
Saeed Khan
Peter Kima
James Klausner
Shawn Kneipp
Gail Kunkle
Jodi Lane
Christy Lemak
William Lindberg
Lee McDowell
Cathleen Mook
David Mulkey
Carol Murphy
Andy Naranjo
Max Nickerson
June Nogle
Mark Orazem
Rebecca Pauly
Susan Percival
Roger Reep
Jaquelyn Resnick
Leah Rosenberg
Richard Segal
James Selph
Stephen Smith
Wesley Smith
Chris Snodgrass
Michelle Tennant
Floyd Thompson
Thomas Vickroy
Eric Wachsman
Nancy Waldron
Bryan Weber
Michael Weigold
John Werning
Steven Willis
George Wilson
Allen Wysocki
Rick Yost
Naomi Young
David Zacharias

John Ziegart
Robert Zlotecki

Ex Officio Attendees:

Michelle Foss
Janie Fouke
Ken Gerhardt
Carol Kem
Pramod Khargonekar
Bernie Machen
Scott Nygren
Stephen Pritz
William Riffie
Kim Tanzer
Jill Varnes

Absent Senators:

Lise Abrams
Chunrong Ai
Janaki Alavalapati
Swapna Banerjee
Barbara Barletta
Russell Bauer
Frank Bova
Jesse Boyles
Mary Ann Burg
Dale Campbell
Douglas Cenzer
Sandra Chance
Carlene Chase
Winfred Cooke
Patrick Colahan
Richard Conley
Harry Daniels
Timothy Davis
Julie Dodd
Calogero Dolce
Tim Flynn
Richard Foltz
Joanne Foss
George Gerencser
Pete Giaccobi
Abraham Goldman
Steve Hagen
Marc Heft
Forrest Howard
Marjorie Hoy
Richard Kershner
Charles Kibert
Pradeep Kumar
Ary Lamme

Joseph Little
Cynthia Lord
Joseli Macedo
Lisa McElwee White
Jaqueline Miller
Gloria Moore
Paul Mueller
Scott Myers
Sataya Narayan
Yngve Ohrn
Karen Parker
Praveen Pathak
Leigh Patterson
James Pettigrew
Kathleen Price
Francis Putz
Rickie Rudd
Bhavani Sankar
Alan Sawyer
Orit Shechtman
John Schueller
Mark Sheplak
Charles Smith
Anita Spring
Lewis Sussman
Larua Sutton
Edward Valenstein
Ferdinand Writh
Danaya Wright
Anthony Yachnis

Absent Ex-officio:

Barry Ache
Jane Adams
Larry Arrington
Kirby Barrick
Doug Barrett
Pamela Bernard
Dale Canelas
Kyle Cavanaugh
Jimmy Cheek
Abdol Chini
Robert Cousins
Tony Dasta
Joel Demski
Joseph DiPietro
Teresa Dolan
John Duff
Catherine Emihovich
Robert Frank
Stephen Humphrey
Terry Hynes

Robert Jerry
James Knight
Martha Kohen
Barbara Korner
John Kraft
Kathleen Long
Kevin Marshall
Donald McGlothlin
Mark McLellan
Jack Mecholsky
Winfred Phillips
Edward Poppell
Pierre Ramond
Paul Robell
Neil Sullivan
Patricia Telles-Irvins
Craig Tisher
Timothy White

Guests:

Yumiko Hulvey, CLAS
Steve Gottesmann, AST