

Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
October 18, 2007
3:00 -5:00 P.M.
Phillips Center for Performing Arts

The meeting was called to order at 3:06 PM

The minutes of the September 20, 2007 meeting were approved.

Chair's Report

Rick Yost, Chair

Dr. Yost reported that the legislature issued a 3.6% callback during their special session. The legislature also approved a 5% tuition increase beginning in the spring. Dr. Yost reported that the Academic Policy council is working on faculty authored course materials and conflict of interest guidelines. The council will also determine a process to review and revise the strategic work plan. Additionally, the council is reviewing a Gordon rule proposal presented by the General Education Committee and a textbook affordability bill. The Senate Council on Research and Scholarship is looking at issues concerning faculty development and effort reporting. The Budget council is working to increase faculty input in budget planning and review and is currently surveying the colleges to determine budget processes at the college level across campus. The Infrastructure council is looking at issues of campus security and class schedule efficiency. Dr. Yost notified the Senate that the Ad Hoc Committee on a Civil, Safe and Open Environment is chaired by Kim Tanzer and has four faculty members and four student members. More information about the committee is available on the President's Web site.

President's Report

Bernie Machen, President

Dr. Machen reported that the 5% tuition increase will go into effect in January and students will be notified of the change. Dr. Machen also reviewed his goals for the upcoming year. He will work with the Senate on issues that are important to the faculty. The goals were submitted to the Board of Trustees and each relates to an item in the Strategic Work Plan. The Florida Opportunity Scholars has 400 students this fall. The retention rate is 95%. The university is working towards granting faculty and staff raises. There is also a task force to review areas where the university can make financial improvements. These recommendations will be focused on non academic components in order to be more efficient and generate additional revenue. Dr. Machen also stated that he hopes that the Senate Council on Research and Scholarship will move forward with developing recommendations on sabbatical programs. Dr. Machen announced an initiative to raise specific funds for humanities.

Dr. Machen's goals are:

- Expand pool of need based financial aid by \$2 million per year from current level for each of the next three years. (SWP #17)
- Increase African-American and Hispanic percentage of incoming freshman class to 30%. (2005 was 24%; 2006 was 27%; 2007 was 28%). (SWP #12)
- Provide faculty and staff raises through reengineering of existing operations and generation of additional revenues. (SWP #4)

- Develop new support for faculty enhancement, including sabbaticals, research leaves, and faculty scholarship. (SWP #8)
- Develop new faculty resources for the humanities. (SWP #29)
- Continue to increase faculty diversity. (SWP #5)

Information Items

- **Cultural Plaza Presentation**

Michael Blachly, UF Performing Arts Director
Douglas Jones, Florida Museum of Natural History Director
Rebecca Nagy, Harn Museum of Art Director

The Cultural Plaza directors presented information about the Phillips Center for Performing Arts, the Florida Museum of Natural History and the Harn Museum of Art. The directors discussed the educational opportunities available at the Cultural Plaza.

- **Department Name Change** **Bill Millard**, Executive Associate Dean
[From Pharmacy Health Care Administration to Department of Pharmaceutical Outcomes and Policy](#)

Dr. Millard presented the College of Pharmacy's request to rename the department of Pharmacy Health Care Administration to the Department of Pharmaceutical Outcomes and Policies. This item will be an action item in November.

- **Curriculum Committee** **Ken Gerhardt**, Associate Dean Graduate School

College of Business

[Change in name of the undergraduate major](#) from the Decision and Information Sciences Department to Information Systems and Operations Management Department.

College of Engineering

Proposed change in degree requirement for [Bachelor in Materials Science and Engineering](#)
 Proposed change for a [Bachelor of Science in Computer Science](#) offered through the College of Engineering
 Proposed increase in credits in [Nuclear Engineering](#) from 126 to 129

College of Public Health and Health Professions

Proposed revision to the Bachelor of Health Science Program

College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

Proposed changes to the [Agricultural Education and Communication Specializations](#)
 Proposed changes to the [Soil and Water](#) major and minor
 Proposed changes to the [Entomology and Nematology](#) minor

School of Business Proposal for Creation

Dr. Gerhardt presented information items on behalf of the University Curriculum Committee. These items will be action items in November.

- **Graduate Council Items** **Ken Gerhardt**, Associate Dean Graduate School

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Request to Sunset degrees:

Degree Name:	Degree Major
Master of Science in Teaching	Psychology
Master of Arts in Teaching	Psychology
Master of Arts in Teaching	Geography
Master of Arts in Teaching	Philosophy
Master of Arts in Teaching	Political Science
Master of Arts in Teaching	Linguistics

Dr. Gerhardt presented items on behalf of the Graduate Council. These items will be action items in November.

- **Report from Student Conduct Code Review Committee**

Gene Zdziarski, Dean of Students

Dr. Zdziarski presented the Student Conduct Code Committee's report. A resolution to accept the report will be an action item in November.

- **Report on Libraries Strategic Planning Process**

Judith Russell, Dean of University Libraries

Dean Russell informed the Senate on the library strategic planning process. There are four task forces to determine appropriate resource allocation. Each task force will focus on a different area of the library including: undergraduate education, humanities and social science, biological and physical sciences and special collections.

Dean Russell stated that there are still vacancies on the committees and volunteers for these positions are welcome.

Open Floor Discussion

Floor is open to Senators first. Three minute limit per speaker.

The meeting adjourned at 4:32 PM

Attendees:

Alex Alberro
Sammy Barkin
Linda Bloom
David Bloomquist
Elizabeth Bolton
Ashley Booth
Frank Bova
Eve Brank
Jane Brockmann
Pamela Brown
Regina Bussing
Kenny Cheng
Donald Cohen
Elizabeth Creveling
David Criswell

Jean Crockett
Lawrence Datnoff
Lori Deitte
Joseph Delfino
Julie Dodd
Bruce Edwards
Elizabeth Frazier
Stephen Futch
George Gerencser
Ellis Greiner
Jeffrey Harman
Christy Lemak-Harris
Edward Hart
Carrie Luevano- Haskell
John Haydu
Marc Heft

Shannon Holliday
David Janicke
Rebecca Jordi
Stan Kaye
James Keesling
William Kem
Saeed Khan
James Klausner
Sahwn Kneipp
Jodi Lane
John Leavey
Jenshan Lin
William Lindberg
Henrietta Logan
Heather McAuslane
Sue McGorray
Jack Mecholsky
Bayard Miller
Gloria Miller
Jacqueline Miller
Deb Mitra
Marjorie Moore
Satay Narayan
Ranga Narayana
Scott Nygren
Anthony Offerle
Dan O'Neill
Joe Pergola
Deborah Popovich
Kathleen Price
Rose Pringle
William Properzio
David Quillen
Tracy Rambo
Eileen Raynor
Patrick Reakes
Role Renne
Marilyn Roberts
Pamela Roberts
Leah Rosenberg
Mary Beth Salisbury
Orit Shechtman
Wolfgang Signumd
Sharleen Simpson
Clay Smith
David Smith
Stephen Smith
Chris Snodgrass
Craig Stanley
Michael Sweat
Michele Tennant

Pham Tiep
Sharon Treen
Jill Varnes
Thomas Vickroy
Susan Webb
George Wilson
Naomi Young
Dana Zimmer

Student Senators:

Dan Cicenia
Caroline Stone
Charli Jane Walrond
Kevin Reiley
Mary Grace Bell

Ex officio attendees

Carol Kem
John Kraft
Lucinda Lavelli
Carol Murphy
Rebecca Pauly
Michael Perri
Judith Russell
Richard Yost

Guests:

Ken Gerhardt
Carole Kimberlin
Ranaldo Allen
Bill Millard
Sid Dobrin
Stephanie Hanson
William McCollough
Jackie Ayers
Asoo Valcharia
Michael Miyamoto
Tom Walsh