

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

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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 degree and major title from: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major in Decision and Information Sciences  
 To: Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major in Information Systems

### 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 Zimmel

**Student Senators:**

Dan Cicenja  
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