

**Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
April 16, 2009
3:00-5:00 P.M.
Reitz Union Auditorium**

Meeting called to order 3:05 PM April 16, 2009

The March 19, 2009 minutes were approved.

Chair's Report

Frank Bova, Chair

Frank Bova reported that Greyson Edward Bell, Cass of 2032, and Mom are doing great. Greyson visited Tigert Hall recently, possibly interviewing there.

Chair elect vote today. Candidate has to receive more than half of the votes. Since there are three candidates, a second vote is likely.

Next senate meeting was on May 14th but has been moved to Friday, May 15th. No room is assigned yet. Meeting times may be either 12:00 to 2:00 pm or 3:30 – 5:30 pm. Email will be sent once the room and time are settled.

Next steering meeting will be May 7.

The budget information that Dr. Machen will discuss will be posted on the web.

Draft guiding principles for future budget cuts. Budget council and President Machen came up with list of four principles:

1. **Allow unit flexibility.**
2. **Seek permission for an increase in undergraduate tuition..**
3. **Shared governance principles followed within colleges.**
4. **Vertical cuts preferred horizontal cuts.**

Other issues mentioned: PECO funds, appropriateness of new programs, capital campaigns, and charitable giving.

Senate Blog: Blog.Senate.ufl.edu is still up and active.

Grievance: Changes made to the grievance process, these were prompted by changes in laws and procedures. Chair will work with Administration to provide faculty with a more easily understood set of documents and procedures.

Professional Science Masters Program was discussed referred faculty to Ken Gerhard for more information.

President's Report

Bernie Machen, *President*

Dr. Machen spent previous day in Tallahassee trying to get the latest budget information. The Senate budget was approved this morning and the House budget will be approved early next week.

Conference meetings are being held to resolve the differences between the two budgets. The news is not great. We will be asked to make significant budget reductions.

Special concerns about the stimulus money: what is it, how can we use it, and what do we do in two years from now when it is gone.

Look at budget from over a two to three year period in order to figure out how to have a firm budget for the next three to five years. We can only count on stimulus money as transitional money to help us move from here to there, and to take care of problems that occur.

Since January and February, colleges and administrative units have been working on proposals on cutting 10% per unit. The submitted total is 73 million dollars. As of this meeting, all the budget proposals from all of the units are available for viewing at <http://budget.president.ufl.edu/>.

The administration has been asked to propose budget reductions in addition to that that would involve all sectors of the university, which are the administrative proposals not yet seen and new to this document (explores savings from i.e., 4-day work week in summer; to allow early retirement for every faculty member over 70; to change the payout on sick leave and vacation leave, etc.).

The Legislature is slated to be done by May 1st. It's possible that it will not get resolved by then. We expect that it will be early in May that a realistic number will come to us. Questions, which budget reductions will we affect, and when do we implement them. I will make a set of proposals to the Board of Trustees who will ultimately decide which budget cuts to make.

At 3:00 today, email with this information went to the entire university community. Everything is open until we have to make a decision.

Provost's Report

Joe Glover, *Provost*

Joe Glover reports that today a new DDE memo went out to the university community to announce a search for a dean of the new International Center. There is a search committee operating and it is chaired by Steve Dorman, Dean of the College of Health and Human Performance. This is an important position to the university's global initiative internationalization. We encourage nominations.

Frank Bova and Joe Glover discussed the naming of a task force to evaluate sustainability and content in courses. The purpose is to review the university's course catalogue and tag courses with significant amounts of sustainability content. Please contact us in the next couple of day if you are interested in joining the task force.

Chair Elect Speeches

Mary Ann Ferguson

John Leavey

Jill Varnes

Information Items:**Doctor of Business Administration****Selcuk Erenguc**

Dr. Erenguc discussed the proposal for a doctorate of business administration, a professional doctoral degree. Dr. Erenguc made clear the distinction, that this is not a Ph.D. degree but a professional degree. The target population is different population than the Ph.D. population. It is anticipated that graduates will take positions as clinical faculty, non-tenured track positions but with 3-5 year contracts. This degree is meant to address the shortage of faculty in business schools.

Report of the UCC Co-Chair Experience**Andy McCollough, UCC Chair**

Dr. McCollough is the administratively appointed co-chair of the GenEd Committee. The elected co-chair was Kim Tanzer. The designated co-chair was James McLeskey. The question he was asked to address is: does it work: How does the co-chairing process work in these two committees. In Dr. McCollough's opinion, it does work because of the personalities that were involved. It will continue to work as long as the appropriate personalities are involved. Personalities that are willing to leave their personal ideologies and unit interests at the doorway and focus on University business. Having two co-chairs gives two people to do the work. If there is appropriate commitment, it will work well. The structure is such that the administrative duties fall to the administratively appointed co-chair because they have administrative support, whereas the senate appointee may not.

UF Calendar Update**Bernard Mair, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Affairs**

Dr. Bernard Mair addressed the calendar development process. Faculty would like calendar approved and posted in order to plan events. UF principle is to have 5 years of calendars approved and posted. Presently, only 2 years are posted. The backlog is due to proposed major changes under consideration and transitions in provost's office. One additional year is being proposed at this time in order to give breathing room and give consensus on other proposals. Other proposals include changing the timing of spring break from the 10th week to the 9th week of spring semester, the redistributing fall holidays, including cancelling classes on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving has been proposed by student government. Recommendation: approve general principle that spring break take place during 9th week of spring semester. Recommendation: create Faculty committee with Administrative Liaisons to evaluate the range of proposals.

Academic Policy Council**Report on Shared Governance Questionnaire****Danaya Wright, APC Chair**

Dr. Wright reported on the APC Council's Shared Governance questionnaire. The questionnaire was to help evaluate the effectiveness of shared governance during the recent budget cuts. The response was not 100%. Potential issue with distributing to the correct faculty may have been the issue. The final report will be posted on the Senate website.

Constitution Article 1**Cathy Martyniak, Constitution Committee Chair**

Cathy discussed proposed language to provide a definition of Shared Governance in the University Constitution. The definition was drafter from language adopted by the BOT.

Chair Elect Second Ballots are handed out because a 50% majority was not achieved. Mary Ann Ferguson and Jill Varnes are the two remaining candidates.

Action Items:

Graduate Council Items

Ken Gerhardt, Associate Dean of the Graduate School

Proposal to Create a M.S. In Biostatistics, PHHP

Voted on and passed unanimously

Sunset Doctorate Degree in Computer & Information Science

Voted on and passed unanimously

Committee on Committees Conflict of Interest Committee Recommended Language

Ellis Greiner, Committee on Committees Chair

Voted on and passed unanimously

Green Team Resolution

Dedee DeLongpre, Director of the Office of Sustainability

Voted on and passed unanimously

Constitution Committee Bylaw 22 and Constitution Article VI

Cathy Martyniak, Constitution Committee Chair

Voted on and passed unanimously

Open microphone:

Chair Elect Second Ballot winner is Mary Ann Ferguson

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 pm

Attendees

Sean Adams
Chunrong Ai
Kevin Anderson
Theresa Antes
Tom Auxter
Lorena Baccaglioni
Azra Bihorac
David Bloomquist
Elizabeth Bolton
Ashley Booth
Jane Brockmann
Regina Bussing
Judy Butterfield
Louis Cattafesta
Kenny Cheng
Robert Cook
Elizabeth Creveling
Oscar Crisalle
David Criswell
Jean Crockett

Timothy Davis
Bruce Edwards
Lily Elefteriadou
Mary Ann Ferguson
Timothy Flynn
Thomas Foster
Stephen Futch
George Gerencser
Paul Gibbs
Martin Gold
Wayne Griffin
Jeffrey Harman
Alice Harmon
Michael Heaney
Richard Hill
Shannon Holliday
David Janicke
Rebecca Jordi
James Keesling
William Kem

Saeed Khan
Michael Kladde
James Klausner
Shawn Kneipp
Tony Ladd
John Leavey
Stephen Lewis
Kathy Light
William Lindberg
Henrietta Logan
William McArthur
Heather McAuslane
Sue McGorray
Jack Mecholsky
Mike Meldrom
Bayard Miller
Jacqueline Miller
Martha Monroe
Jon Morris
Cynthia Morton

Carol Murphy
Satya Narayan
Sven Normann
Scott Nygren
Mark Orazem
Marc Ottenga
Nancy Poehlmann
Deborah Popovich
Rose Pringle
William Properzio
David Quillen
Ron Randles
Eileen Raynor
David Reed
Pamela Roberts
Victoria Rovine
Sandra Russo
Mary Beth Salisbury
Orit Shechtman
Wolfgang Sigmund
Sharleen Simpson
Susan Sinnott
Brenda Smith
Clay Smith
Chris Snodgrass
Taylor Stein
Michael Sweat
Joseph Tepas
Sharon Treen
J. Bryan Unruh
Jill Varnes
Henry Wihnyk
Brenda Williams
Sally Williams
George Wilson
Naomi Young
Jennifer Zedalis
Dana Zimmel
Barbara Zsembik

Guests:

Peter Adams
Elena Andresen
Nicole Alvarez
Babette Brumback
Selcuk Erenguc
Mark Heft
Carol Kem
Stephanie Hanson
Ellen Martin
Andy McCollough
Vic Micolucci

Liaisons:

Paul D'Anieri
Teresa Dolan
Henry Frierson
Ellis Greiner
Robert Jerry
Cathleen Martyniak
Michael Perri
Judith Russell
Danaya Wright
Richard Yost