

**Senate Steering Committee
Minutes
December 3, 2009
3:00-5:00 P.M.
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Attendees:
Jack Mecholsky
Mary Ann Ferguson
Jane Brockmann
David Quillen
Ellis Greiner
Joe Glover

Barbara Wingo
Wolfgang Sigmund
Tracy Rambo
Scott Nygren

Guests:
Meredith Babb
Jim Seale

The meeting was called to order at 3 PM

The minutes of the November meeting were approved.

Reports:

• **Chair's Report**

Jack Mecholsky, Chair

Jack Mecholsky reported that there will be an academic integrity task force.

• **Provost's Report**

Joe Glover, Provost

Joe Glover discussed RCM, the finance and accounting error correction charges and online hiring communications with the Steering Committee. The committee asked questions about how RCM will impact certain academic procedures.

Information Items:

Academic Assessment Committee proposal

Mark Bishop, CoC Chair

The Committee on Committees will present the academic assessment committee proposal at the December Senate meeting.

Orange Grove Presentation

Meredith Babb, Director University press of Florida

Meredith Babb will give a presentation on the Orange Grove, an online repository for texts, at the December Senate meeting.

RCM Presentation

Matt Fajack, CFO and **Frank Bova**, RCM Committee Member

Matt Fajack and Frank Bova will give a presentation on RCM at the December Senate meeting.

Bylaw changes for the Curriculum Committee and the General Education Committee compositions

Jim Seale, Constitution Committee Chair

Language regarding changes to the university curriculum committee and the general education committee will be presented as information items at the December Senate meeting.

Finance and Accounting Error Correction Charges

Jane Brockmann, Chair Infrastructure Council

The steering committee discussed the Infrastructure Council's recommendations regarding the finance and accounting error correction charges. The Infrastructure Council is opposed to these changes. Joe Glover said that he spoke with Matt Fajack and it was decided that the administration would not implement these changes.

Online hiring discussion and council assignment

Jack Mecholsky, Chair

The steering committee discussed the issue of online hiring communications from human resources. Joe Glover will look into the matter and will work to resolve any inaccuracies in communications.

Council Reports:

Welfare Council

Tony Offerle, Chair

No report.

Academic Policy Council

Tracy Rambo, Co-Chair

Budget Council

David Quillen, Chair

The budget council closed the issue on the sick leave payout discussion and supported not offering the sick leave benefit to new hires, but any buyout was felt to be too expensive to support.

Infrastructure Council

Jane Brockmann, Chair

Report items covered in information items.

Research and Scholarship Council

Scott Nygren, Chair

Scott Nygren reported that SCoRS is discussing how to coordinate the different policy councils' roles in RCM discussions, and whether to recommend forming a faculty RCM committee

Action Items:

Approval of the December Senate Agenda.

The December Senate agenda was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 5 PM.