# Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes February 19, 2009 3:00 -5:00 P.M. Reitz Union Rion Ballroom

The meeting was called to order at 3 PM

The January 15, 2009 minutes were approved.

Chair's report Frank Bova, Chair

Frank Bova discussed the e-learning software presentations, the FEO task force, the Student Experience at Research Universities Survey, the budget blog, the information technology action plan and policy council nominations.

President's Report

Bernie Machen, President

As many of you know, President Barack Obama signed an economic stimulus package this week that is expected to infuse as much as \$12 billion into the state of Florida over the next three years.

It is unclear at this point how the stimulus funds will change the budget situation for higher education throughout the state, and more specifically, the University of Florida.

We are still evaluating the stimulus plan and it may be several weeks before we have an idea of its impact on our state appropriations.

For that reason, I believe we need to take a little extra time in our development of budget reduction plans university wide. Last month, I asked the deans and administrators to begin discussions with their faculty and staff to identify cuts of up to 10 percent of their area's recurring budgets.

This plan continues except, instead of forwarding the plans to the administration by March 4, the new date for submission is April 1. This will allow an anticipated public announcement of all the plans on April 15.

In the meantime, the university may be eligible to receive some funds from the stimulus package earmarked for the renovation and remodeling of existing facilities. We have forwarded to the state Board of Governors a list of more than \$400 million in remodeling projects, some of which will help improve the energy efficiency of our buildings. We anticipate these upgrades would produce sizable, long-term savings through lower utility bills.

I want you to know I am committed to working with the state and educational leaders to lessen the cuts facing the university for the upcoming 2009-10 fiscal year.

Provost's Report

Joe Glover, Provost

Joe Glover discussed the textbook adoption requirements. All colleges were at the 90% or above level for compliance. The committee reviewing the International Center has completed its work and the report is posted on the academic affairs Web site. The undergraduate curriculum task force report is almost completed and will be posted when the committee's work is finished. A search for the next permanent dean of the College of Public Health and Health Professions will begin soon. The FEO deadline for summer and fall proposals is February 26.

## **Information Items**

Legislative Agenda Update

Jane Adams, Vice President for University Relations

Jane Adams provided a legislative agenda update as an information item.

**UPD** Use of Force Report

Linda Stump, Chief of Police

Chief Stump presented the annual UPD use of force report as an information item.

Constitution Committee Regulations Report

Cathy Martyniak, Constitution Committee Chair

Cathy Martyniak presented the constitution committee's regulations report as an information.

Creation of a School of Physician Assistant Studies College of Medicine

Wayne Bottom, Associate Dean for Physician Assistant Studies

Wayne Bottom presented information on the proposal to create a School of Physician Assistant Studies in the College of Medicine. This proposal will be an action item at the March meeting.

University Curriculum Committee Proposals

Andy McCollough, UCC Chair

- 1. Department name change proposals, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
  - Department of Biology
- 2. New department of Environmental and Global Health, College of Public Health and Health Professions
- 3. New department of Oral and Maxillofacial Diagnostic Sciences, College of Dentistry

Andy McCollough presented information on three university curriculum committee proposals. These proposals will be action items at the March meeting.

## **Action Items**

## University Curriculum Committee Proposed Name Changes

Andy McCollough, UCC Chair

- The department of Romance Languages and Literatures underwent the following changes: Faculty in Spanish and Portuguese became the nucleus of a new department, which is now proposing the name,
   Department of Spanish and Portuguese Studies. Faculty in French, Italian and Haitian Creole became part of a second department, which is now proposing the name, Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures.
- 2. Faculty in the Department of African and Asian Languages and Literatures and the Department of Germanic and Slavic Studies also became part of the new department which is now proposing the name, **Department of Languages**, **Literatures and Cultures**.
- 3. The Department of Sociology and the Department of Criminology, Law and Society were merged into one unit. The proposed name for the new department is the **Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law.**

These proposals were approved.

Name change from the department of Pharmacy Practice to Pharmacotherapy and Translational Research Larry Lopez, Associate Chair of Pharmacy Practice

This proposal was approved.

#### Bylaws Changes (changes to 4, 7, 13, and 18)

These bylaw changes were approved.

# APC recommendations concerning dept/college change procedures

Danaya Wright, APC Chair

These recommendations were approved.

# Resolution regarding the Gainesville charter amendment

Wolfgang Sigmund, Chair Presidential LGBT concerns committee

This resolution was approved.

# **Open Discussion from Senate Floor**

There was not an open floor discussion.

The meeting adjourned at 4:42 PM

Shannon Holliday William Properzio **Attendees:** Stan Kaye David Quillen James Keesling Tracy Rambo Sean Adams William Kem Ron Randles Chunrong Ai Nora Alter Kristen Kemple Patrick Reakes Kevin Anderson Saeed Khan David Reed Wayne Archer Michael Kladde Ruth Ron Tom Auxter James Klausner Sandra Russo Lorena Baccaglini Shawn Kneipp Alan Sawyer David Bloomquist John Leavey Orit Shechtman Elizabeth Bolton Lora Levett Wolfgang Sigmund Stephen Lewis Sharleen Simpson Iane Brockmann Jenshan Lin Susan Sinnott Regina Bussing Judy Butterfield William Lindberg Brenda Smith Louis Cattafesta Henrietta Logan Clay Smith Kenny Cheng William McArthur Taylor Stein Maria Coady Heather McAuslane Sevan Terzian Donald Cohen Sue McGorray Jill Varnes Robert Cook Jack Mecholsky Eric Wachsman Elizabeth Creveling Mike Meldrom Henry Wihnyk Bayard Miller Oscar Crisalle Brenda Williams David Criswell Jacqueline Miller Sally Williams Martha Monroe Naomi Young Jean Crockett Bill Montgomery Dana Zimmel Joseph Delfino Mary Ann Ferguson Cynthia Morton Barbara Zsembik Ian Flood Carol Murphy

Timothy Flynn Thomas Foster Maria Gallo

George Gerencser Martin Gold Wayne Griffin Jeffrey Harman Alice Harmon Edward Hart

Michael Heaney Richard Hill

Satya Narayan Sven Normann Scott Nygren Anthony Offerle Dan O'Neill Mark Orazem Marc Ortenga Nancy Poehlmann Deborah Popovich

Kathie Price

Rose Pringle

Liaisons: Jane Adams Jacob Chung Paul D'Anieri Henry Frierson Joe Glover Robert Jerry Lucinda Lavelli Bernie Machen

Cathleen Martyniak

Sue Percival

Micahel Perri Winfred Phillips Judith Russell Christopher Silver Danaya Wright John Wright Richard Yost **Student Senators:** Jordan Johnson

Guests: Marc Heft Sara Plager Stephanie Hanson Michelle Foss Lawrence Alexander Ken Gerhardt Thomas Stewart James Scale Harrison Diamond John Ingram