

Florida Gulf Coast University
Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 14, 2016; 9:30-11:30am; Cohen Center, Room 213

In Attendance:

Dr. Shawn Felton – President	Dr. Sandra Pavelka –Vice President	Patrick Niner – Parliamentarian	Dr. Jo Stecher – Secretary	
Lan Jiang	Daniel Acheampong	Kazuo Nakatani	Fan Zhao	Arie van Duijn
Jacqueline van Duijn	Jacqueline Salmond	Brendan Bevins	Tom Felke	BeeJay Girimurugan
Alex Sakharuk	Rob Erdman	Trent Brown (Proxy Present)	Serge Thomas	Joe Kakareka
Jacqueline Salmond	Michael Fauerbach	Martha Rosenthal	Mike McDonald	Morgan Paine
Jamie MacDonald	Steve Rokusek	Robert Triscari	Olivia Hung-Simons	Elif Safak
Danvers Johnston	Jorge Torres	Claude Villiers	Jaffar Ali Shahul-Hameed	

Absent (without Alternate/Proxy):

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Guests:

Jennifer Goen	Dr. Julie Yazici			
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Summary:

Agenda Item	Responsible	Discussion	Action/Vote	Follow-Up
1) Gathering	Dr. S. Felton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting called to order at 9:33. 		
2) Approval of October 14, 2016 Agenda	Dr. S. Felton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comments 	Motion to Approve: M. Rosenthal Second: J. MacDonald	
4) Faculty Senate President’s Report	Dr. S. Felton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pres. Search Conference call on 10/19 in Edwards, 309 from 9:00-10:30. 		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BOT mtg 10/27 from 12:00-3:00 in M. J. Daniels Blding. ○ RSVP for Commencement. ○ PDFG applications are open. ○ Ministry Luncheon . 		
5) <u>Information Item: SLT Update on “C-“ Grades</u>	Dr. S. Felton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SAT, FAT, IAT, & Gen. Ed are looking into the overall situation of is “C- “passing or failing and checking with other SUS’. ● Error in information as to grade forgiveness- a “C- “can receive this as pointed out by an advisor senator to the leadership team. ● <u>General discussion-</u> ● Continued discussions on why to have or not have “C- “grades or even any +’s or – ‘s in our grading system and whether they create system-wide issues for getting into upper division programs, for transfer students, and for students changing majors. ● Student & faculty awareness of the consequences of a C- grade for the future of the student’s academic success. Both should be aware of the grading policy in their own courses, departments, & programs. ● FGCU catalogue has the grade point conversion with +’s and – ‘s in it. ● Any policy or course change affects the catalogue. ● Certain policies are BOG policies which reflect SAC’s requirements. ● An overall consensus was to remember to keep student success as paramount. 	Motion to extend time by 10”: J. Kakareka. Second: P. Niner.	
6) <u>New Business:</u> 6a) <u>Information Item</u>	Ms. J. Goen, Director of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Handout given for Senators listing this year’s legislative issues. The BOG has already 		

<p>6c) <u>Information Item: Performance Based Funding</u></p>	<p>Dr. S. Felton</p>	<p>whether a lot or garage is full, reduce the # of reserved spots, drop off places for those with disabilities, tiered parking the garages based upon student year, shuttles from the more remote lots to drop off spots based upon timing of classes, park & ride from GCTC, less expensive parking costs if one parks farther away</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metrics are changing related to salaries after graduation. FGCU is disadvantaged as our cost of living is lower in SE Florida. • In order to move up by 1% point in the matrices, it will depend on anywhere from four to twenty students. The exception is matrix #7= ~130 students. • General issues that affect FGCU include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If costs of degrees change, it may affect the costs to our students who have relatively no debt at graduation. ○ Some SUS' have greater resources and may benefit from changes. ○ Continued effects of extra credits may be a detriment to FGCU. ○ Formula to consider- # of students with debt x average debt= adjusted debt. This is a FGCU idea that may help us. ○ These and others will be major lobbying issues in the spring. 		
<p>7) <u>Standing Reports</u> 7a) <u>Provost Report</u></p>	<p>Provost Toll</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disaggregate strategic plans in colleges sent out. 		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As space is a premium, and we are growing slowly, money remains an issue as well as: how many new programs can we have, need additional faculty, offices, & labs? • The new Honors Collage is in the plan, converting from an Honors program. The \$2 million one-time money from the state will help to attract higher caliber students. • AB9 remains 3 years away to utilize that new space. • <u>General discussion-</u> • Kennesaw State just appointed a new President without a national search. • General question for Senate nights in the President's box. Dr. Toll will try again this year. • The Promotion Reception was held earlier in the week with a nice time had by faculty and administration. 		
7b) SAC Report	Teri Bigos & Lauren Strunk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract issues discussed. • President Bradshaw to attend the next meeting. 		
7c) SGA Report	Dr. S. Felton for Emmalyn Green	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New parking video will be shown at the next • Scholarship applications are out for student ambassadors. • October 28th is the student gov't. /faculty senate luncheon. 		
7d) UFF Report	Dr. B. Elliott	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First meeting last week with drop in & lunch. • UFF mtg was in September. 		

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bargaining opens in 1-2 weeks. • Upcoming events are: 10/28 for an after work get together @ Bar Louie and 2/25 is Fiesta Times for families. • Abstract proposal from UFF & Provost's office accepted for a national conference in March, 2017 on Resolving Grievances Through Mediation. 		
8) For the Good of the Order	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Math Conference to be held on campus 11/5-6. >100 registrants. First time in Florida! 		
10) Announcements		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting ended at 11:40am 	Motion to adjourn: J. MacDonald Second: M. McDonald	

Next Senate Meeting: Friday October 28, 2016 @ 9:30 AM – Cohen Center 213

Next Senate Leadership Team: Friday, November 18, 2016 @ 12 Noon – Cohen Center 213