Florida Gulf Coast University Faculty Senate Meeting APPROVED Minutes

DATE: 10/2/2009 **TIME:** 9:30 - 11:30AM **PLACE:** SU Chambers

Attendance:

| | Gilbert, Shelby | Kakareka, Joseph | Morris, Doug | Renard, Monika | Van Duijn, Arie |
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| Anstadt, Scott | Greene, Patrick | Kleeger, Jeff | Oistad, Kay | Roca, Maria | Villiers, Claude |
| Elliott, Beth | Hale, Katherine | Lindsey, Chuck | Osterman Meyer, Angela | Rosenthal, Martha | Walsh-Haney, Heather |
| | Hammerling, Julie | Lupe, Lori | Paine, Morgan T | Ryther, Peter | Zhao, Fan |
| Fauerbach, Michael | Hibbard, Susan | McShane, Megan | | Swaleheen, Mushfiq | |
| Fay, Patricia | Jones, Travis | Mock, Karen | Payelka, Sandra | Towne, Amy | |

Absent with Alternate (Alternate Senators):

Alexakis, George (Scott Lee); Kauanui, Sandra (Julie Yazici); Paschall, Mack (Doug Carothers)

Absent with Proxy:

Absent without Alternate or Proxy:

Everham, Win

Guests:

Paul Snyder; Hudson Rogers; Ron Toll; Amanda Evans

I. Gathering: 9:30 AM

A. Welcome & Introductions – Chuck Lindsey

II. Approval of Minutes -9/18/09 approved with corrections.

III. Standing Reports

A. **Provost's Report** – Ron Toll

• Hiring. Working with the Deans regarding filling faculty positions. The University is going to run ads mid-October. We had the highest percent diversity this fall: 21.4%, thanks due to the search committees. Last year 26 faculty were hired, expect the same

- number this year. Have a 3 year rolling plan to add 9 new degree programs, reduced from 19. Also looking at requests for staff earlier this year.
- Promotion. Meeting with faculty for promotion workshops. Provost Toll has ideas, questions on promotions. He will send an e-mail out soon.
- Consensual Relationship Policy. The ratified version contained 85% of what came from faculty. It is amenable to future changes.
- Professional Development Funds. Total was \$90,000 in the past. Will try to find another \$10,000. Would like to keep an equivalent per capita/year.
- Provost Toll mentioned briefly Frank Brogan, Dashboard Approach for Universities.

B. SGA Report – Peter Ryther was one of the students on campus for Swine Flu, H1N1. He appreciated faculty understanding.

- Appreciates faculty understanding when students have H1N1.
- Climate Committee, Sustainability Week
- Activities happening on campus. October 29, Country Bash, faculty discounted tickets, contact Peter for committee.
- Trying to find students to sit on University committees, asked for input
- Student Senate is setting up a new website. It will have links to all organizations and events.
- Florida Student Organization is lobbying for student rights, represented in Tallahassee.
- Microsoft Office is available for reduced fee in bookstore

C. UFF Report – Monika Renard

- UFF statewide meeting in Tampa. Members received training on bargaining and grievance issues.
- Continue to work for faculty rights and responsibilities
- Layoffs at other Universities, despite their currently hiring others. UFF is fighting that.
- There is a statewide distance learning committee for anyone interested in offering input. Also one on Nursing.
- Collective bargaining is ongoing

D. Senate President's Report – Chuck Lindsey

- BOG Meeting in Tampa
 - Budget issues: Hiring, all things that they are working on.
 - Board will form group to address doctoral programs
 - Issue about transferability of degrees. AS is not automatically accepted, though AA is.
 - Sub committees for shared governance for all universities
 - Next Meeting January.
- Tickets for students and family for commencement again this year.

- Updates from the President will be on the agenda November 13
- Leadership Team discussed the proposed diversity requirement, and will continue with that.
 - Chuck will send out message for people to make proposals for existing or new courses that would fit the proposed diversity requirement. SLOG will review.

V. Old Business –

• Pat Greene asked a question about PDF guidelines, asked if this was approved. Yes.

VI. New Business

- A. Cori Bright from ADA Advisory Committee (works on compliance projects on campus)
 - Talked about self-evaluation survey that is coming soon. Should be out end of October or early November
- B. Amy Gorelick and Meredith Babb from University Press of Florida are campus today at 1:00 pm in SUB 213 to discuss scholars' publications in the digital age, how to get published in digital format, open access textbooks, etc.

C. Climate Survey

- Motion to suspend time limit to add an additional 20 minutes for speaker Dr. Williams. Seconded and approved.
- Dr. Williams was running late, so Amanda Evans, Chair of the Conflict Management Advisory Committee introduced the Climate Survey:
 - Started Oct 2008 university wide working on asking questions that need to be asked about campus,
 - o Am I respected? Am I listened to? Where do we stand? Culture, hard questions
 - o Accountable from all levels
 - Wants help from the committee to get the information out to everyone on campus
- Dr. Williams arrived introduced himself as Chief Diversity officer from University of Wisconsin-Madison.
 - Passed out handout on (Frequently Asked Questions) about surveys
 - Introduced the project, survey overview, how they would look at the survey.
 - Talked about trust, support, confidentially, password protection.
 - o No data on the FGCU servers, research team will house data
 - o Analyses at group level, what changes will result from this survey
 - President Bradshaw is on board with this and will see the results
 - Presentation included information about Culture changes
 - o Geospatial, Climate of Inclusion & Exclusion (History), Psychological & Behavioral, mental models
 - Described the survey design process: Started Spring 2009, first draft n summer 2009, second draft September 2009.
 - Survey launch beginning of November though end November

- Various focus groups will be formed
- Hoping to have an early report in January, final after that.
- Dr. Williams asked for questions about the presentation.
- Motion to suspend time for another 10 minutes. Seconded and approved
 - Faculty continued to ask questions. One concerned the effect that the contract system (no tenure lines) has on climate. Will check that that concept is included.
 - Williams assured faculty that the survey was a broad one, including quantitative and qualitative info on many topics.
- VII. Announcements None
- VIII. Adjournment 11:30 a.m.