

**FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE MEETING
DRAFT Minutes**

Date: 02/12/2010

Time: 9:30-11:30 am

Place: SU 213

Attendance:

	Greene, Patrick	Lindsey, Chuck		Towne, Amy
		McShane, Megan	Pavelka, Sandra	Van Duijn, Arie
Elliott, Beth	Hammerling, Julie	Mock, Karen	Renard, Monika	Villiers, Claude
	Hibbard, Susan	Morris, Doug	Roca, Maria	Zhao, Fan
Fauerbach, Michael		Oistad, Kay		
Fay, Patricia	Kakareka, Joseph		Ryther, Peter	
Gilbert, Shelby	Kleeger, Jeff			

Absent with Alternate (Alternate Senators):

Anstadt, Scott (Howard Smith); Jones, Travis (Darlene Andert); Osterman Meyer, Angela (Anne Hartley); Paine, Morgan T (Mary Voytek); Paschall, Mack (Doug Carothers); Swaleheen, Mushfiq (Darlene Andert)

Absent with Proxy:

Alexakis, George (Howard Smith); Everham, Win (Jeff Kleeger); Hale, Katherine (Anne Hartley); Rosenthal, Martha (Maria Roca)

Absent without Alternate or Proxy:

Guests: Doug Harrison; Angela Cisneros; Paul Snyder; Madelyn Isaacs; Hudson Rogers

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- 1) Gathering: 9:30 am, Quorum achieved at 9:35am
 - a) Welcome and Introductions – Chuck Lindsey
 - b) Approval to continue out of order for Student Affairs team report

 - 2) New Business
 - a) Student Affairs team report on Academic Dishonesty (discussion item)
 - Student Affairs team survey was conducted. Asked students their perceptions on academic dishonesty
 - Students want clear communication of expectations from faculty, such as statements at the beginning of class, written document on the syllabus
 - Recommend development of an “Honor Code” or “Statement of Academic Integrity”
 - Students do not know what happens to other students because of FERPA
 - SAT Recommends going to Provost and asking him to appoint a committee of students, faculty, and support staff to develop an Academic Integrity Statement
 - Discussion of “Statement of Academic Integrity” and its success at other campuses supported by research
 - Cheating incidents are not always reported, so students sometimes get caught multiple times without any serious consequences
 - This statement will put it out there to the students – provide communication
 - Comment: Orientation should be the time to provide clear communication, some time at the beginning of the class – but not much

- Code of conduct and honor code do not stop cheating, but research shows it does decrease it.
 - Motion to accept item. Seconded.
 - Motion to extend time 5 minutes. Approved.
 - Discussion of how to move this along – Task force to be created according to the recommendations of the report
 - Question: Students have signed honor code in some previous years, does not know why it did not move forward
 - Will vote next meeting
- 3) Approval of Minutes of January 29, 2010
- a) Motion to approve passed by voice vote with 1 abstention
- 4) Standing Reports
- a) Provost's Report – Provost Toll
- AACU (Association of American Colleges & Universities) was attended by 5 of your colleagues and among others.
 - Supported by Provost office
 - Hope it was a good experience, and asked those who went to consider to take some of the lessons learned and implicate some of the thoughts into broader conversations and have an opportunity to have a panel presentation soon
- Encourage attendance
 - Strategic planning process on target and goal of submitting it to BOT for the June meeting
 - Lots of opportunity to be involved
 - Blue Stars group – associates of Deans and library
 - Assessment is extreme process – program level assessment
 - Blue Star group is to help further expand the conversations that are already taking place on campus and in the offices of the Associate Deans, Colleges
 - Discussed with leadership team and continue with next step - charge a general education task force
 - For general education assessment to move forward it needs broader buy-ins
 - Portfolio workshop into the future – begin to lower the frequencies of bringing in outside consultants. Goal is to continue to move forward to train faculty
 - Issue concerning SOAR brought up a few weeks ago – has full attention
 - Control of Soar, Lee county does not get much national press
 - All have ownership of hiring process. Hope to improve for next year
 - Goal to keep all lines of communication open
 - Question: Update on the climate survey?
 - Answer: Data being analyzed, do not have a date for results
 - Question: Focus groups canceled?
 - Answer: Focus group have not been canceled, but rather postponed
- b) SGA Report – Peter Ryther, SGA Vice-President
- Kimberly Diaz – Senate President Pro Tempore; Tyler Offerman – Director of Environmental Initiatives
 - 15 open hours per week have been added to the library, paid by student government

- Monday – Thursday 1:00am closing
- Friday 7:00am – 11:00pm
- Saturday 8am – 6pm
- Sunday 11am – 1am
- Appropriations working hard on budgets.
- Will be turning budget in on Tuesday (Feb 16)
- Kiosk bill has gone through first reading, seconding reading this Tuesday
- Microsoft Office disks will be available in bookstore on February 17th
- University participating in Recycle Mania this semester, Jan 17th – Mar 27th
- No data on waste... getting numbers about how much waste is produced and how much is recyclable
- April 8th – FGCU earth day
- Luau at the end of the event... no date yet
- Elections will start Mar 15th
- Voting Mar 23-25 and results the 26th
- Avoid student representative talking in front of class to avoid miscommunication, only President Roman
- Student Resolution discussion about Aramark and the coalition of Immokalee Workers
- Motion to support student resolution. Passed by 23 votes. 1 opposed. 3 abstentions.
- Student organization asked about smoke-free campus. If anybody wants to discuss with the students be contact me (Tyler)

c) UFF Report – Madelyn Isaacs

- About 15 members away from a 50% + one member unit - second largest in the state
- Informal lunch on Feb 22nd
- United Faculty of Florida Senate is this weekend in Orlando
- Finalizing talking points for Spring legislature advocacy
- This year planning to conduct council of presidents in Tallahassee in April
- Bargaining continues, extended 2009 reopener bargaining and opened 2010 full book bargaining. Delay for 2010 until some conclusion for 2009.
- Disappointment that bargaining has moved away from interest to more positional
- Work groups
 - Evaluation forum in March that is being planned
 - Policy review
 - work load
- Awaiting results of Climate survey
- Discussion on process of Deans evaluation forms and issues

d) Senate President's Report – Chuck Lindsey

- Attended Advisory Council of Faculty Senates in Tallahassee
- Sent out to Senate earlier report that was given to ACFS
- Meetings about budget and legislature affairs
- Main issue discussed was the attempts to coordinate with new state colleges to transfer in to the universities. Students are completing as many hours as they can at state colleges and transfer to a university and graduate with a degree from the university while completing as few hours as possible there. Many universities are in the process of reviewing their residency policies to address this.

- Other University Textbook Regulation
 - Royalties – less of an issue at other institution
 - AtMost other state universities, have policy that if you use your own textbook for your own class, you forgo the royalties or donate to some other cause
- At the previous BOT meeting, brought up points that were discussed, in Senate but there was not really any support for his ideas among trustees.
- Voted, as a trustee, in favor because by statue required to have a regulation.
- Did move to amend it, but amendment failed
- Still opportunities to influence how the details work out
- Question: Will Provost Toll back academic freedom?
- Answer: (Provost Toll) would like to bring up an issue that was just brought to attention about auditing. Will be auditing policy 8.003
- Faculty statement will be supported by provost office if the textbook is available
- Discussion on academic freedom and textbook affordability
- Motion to extend by 5 minutes – Approved
- Comment: Disappointed in vote
- Laura Jensen will be here next meeting to discuss textbook ordering and such
- Question: Clarification on if there will be a chance to put input on the textbook policy
- Answer (from H. Rogers): All regulation and policies have a time period for comment
- Motion to extend by 2 minutes – Approved
- (Provost) There is the opportunity to have the conversation and eventually it comes down to the language. Listening to you.
- Discussion of Sunshine statutes

5) Old Business

- a) Proposed Academic Calendar for 2012-13 and 2013-14 (action item)
 - Discussion on “Fall Break” wording
 - Motion to approve calendars with the term “Fall Break” being removed or modified approved with 28 votes

6) New Business

- a) Bylaws amendment proposal re: increase membership on Program Review Team (discussion item)
 - Motion for consideration – Seconded
 - Approval next meeting
- b) Resolution in support of domestic partner benefits (discussion item)
 - Motion for consideration – Second
 - Approval next meeting
 - Discussion on how it would be brought to the BOT.
 - Discussion on language – “Domestic partnership”
- c) Student of the Year Guidelines (discussion item)
 - Motion for consideration – Seconded
 - Instead of 9 credits, per semester be changed to 6 credits for graduate students
 - Motion for suspension of rules to vote today – Approved

- Disagreement- allowing fewer credits is supporting the idea that students take their time to finish their degree
- Special education has programs where students are only taking 2 classes or 6 credits

Meeting adjourned at this point due to lack of quorum

Next meeting: Friday, February 26, 2010, 9:30 – 11:30 am