

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

Date: 12-4-09

Time: 9:30am-11:30am

Place: Student Union Chambers

NOTE: THE ATTENDANCE FOR THIS SESSION WAS INCLUDED ON THE MINUTES AND APPROVED 1-15-10 AND ADDED BELOW FOR CONVENIENCE:

Attendance: Date: 12-4-09

Alexakis, George	Greene, Patrick	Lindsey, Chuck	Paschall, Mack	Towne, Amy
	Hale, Katherine	McShane, Megan		Van Duijn, Arie
Elliott, Beth	Hammerling, Julie	Mock, Karen	Renard, Monika	Villiers, Claude
Everham, Win	Hibbard, Susan	Morris, Doug	Roca, Maria	Zhao, Fan
Fauerbach, Michael	Jones, Travis	Oistad, Kay	Rosenthal, Martha	
	Kakareka, Joseph	Osterman Meyer, Angela	Ryther, Peter	
Gilbert, Shelby	Kleeger, Jeff	Paine, Morgan T	Swaleheen, Mushfiq	

Absent with Alternate (Alternate Senators): Fay, Patricia (Sheila Bolduc-Simpson), Pavelka, Sandra (Howard Smith)

Absent with Proxy: Anstadt, Scott (Howard Smith)

Absent without Alternate or Proxy:

Guests: Hudson Rogers

- 1.) Gathering: 9:30 am, Quorum achieved at 9:35am.
 - a.) Welcome and Introductions-Chuck Lindsey

- 2.) Approval of Minutes of November 13, 2009
 - Amendment to Old Business, to add “or equivalent rank” to Faculty awards. Motion to approve November 13 minutes-approved by the board with two abstentions.

- 3.) Standing Reports
 - a.) Provost’s Report- Provost Toll
 - Compliment Nursing Program for removal of probation and high marks for students on exam, placing above the national average.
 - Faculty walk-through soon for AB7. Dedication is in March.
 - Applied for Platinum LEED certification. Would be the first academic building in Florida with Platinum status.
 - Faculty searches continue to move forward. The budget reflects a \$400,000 increase from last year, reflective of the efforts to get faculty proportionate to growth.
 - PECO money had been reduced earlier in the year down to \$1.9 mil. Could possibly increase to \$5 mil. Not sufficient for AB8.
 - Those who have not yet completed the Campus Climate Survey, please do so. Want biggest return possible.

- Moving forward with strategic planning. Minor changes to Mission and Vision Statements, now posted to the website. The Strategic Goals were approved for submission to the BOT.
- Moving toward final negotiations with company to lead us to final building plans for roads, water run-off, etc. Ten year process.
- Question: PECO funds previously included installing Wifi, is the same true for AB7?
- Answer: Yes. We are retrofitting where necessary. There will be no new buildings without Wifi. Please bring attention to those places that still need Wifi so they can be retrofitted as well.
- Question: For clarification, PECO funds allotted to AB8?
- Answer: We anticipate \$5.0 mil, cannot go towards AB8, it goes towards infrastructure. Originally had 3 year build schedule has been pushed back, now looking at 4.5-5 year build schedule.
- Question: Naples Daily News recently said that FGCU was \$3 mil. under budget for the solar field project. Money allocated other places?
- Answer: Substantially under budget. The money was a special appropriation, do not believe the money was given as an advance, but will find out.

b.) SGA Report- Peter Rhyther, SGA Vice-President

- Website going good, development meeting today. January 12 is soft launch, January 18 hard launch.
- Kiosk bill-to address concerns to first reading January 11, worked out the kinks, have the right documentation.
- Health care survey going out, addressing insurance needs of students and government, possible state mandate for health insurance for students.
- Recycling survey out- how students feel about recycling on campus and in the dorms.
- Eagle exchange offers FGCU Eagle t-shirt in exchange for any other university t-shirt. Over 250 already given out.
- Working on recycling logo in house, making sure it is in accordance with FGCU policy. Possibly creating FGCU recycling logo.
- 1st FGCU Recycle mania January 16, competition in dorms and on campus
- Looking to add additional items to the bookstore, and more hours for the Library
- Passed internal documents which are now going to the Board of Trustees.
- Introduce Laura from CIW, Student Farmer Alliance. Resolution before Student Government failed, urge Aramark to improve wages and conditions. Back to student government.
 - Looking for support or input from faculty with other resolutions.
- Question: Specific hours for Library.
- Answer: Meeting on the 8th with head of Library Services-increase marginally at best.
- Question: Recycle bins in classrooms.

- Answer: Were not used properly, taken out and put other types of recycling bins in the buildings.
- Question: Initiatives for non-smoking campus.
- Answer: Will look into it.
- Question: What's needed from faculty for resolution.
- Answer: Input, compromises, etc.
- Question: Possibly looking to raise price of tomatoes, illegal immigrant issue.
- Answer: Human rights issues more than immigrant issue, improve conditions.

c.) UFF Report- Monika Renard

- Chapter meeting November 18-planning open forums, 3 in spring with special topics, experts. Solicited ideas for topics.
- Sabbatical guideline meeting with President to get approved, taking Faculty Senate remarks with them.
- Still negotiating contracts. Meeting Tuesday about what's left.
- Membership drive ongoing. 43% pushing for majority. Goal to have up to 60% next semester.
- Hot Topics continues to go out with added Union notes on the top.
- Question: Consensual Relationship Policy.
- Answer: Met with President, no resolution, Informal resolution meeting, no resolution. President willing to keep talking, now at Step 2.
- Question: Meeting contents for Tuesday.
- Answer: Article 23- Salary, Article 9-Assignments, workload issues, Article 31- Totality Agreement, Article 3-UFF rights, interest in Article 8-Appointments, Benefits.

d.) Senate President's Report- Chuck Lindsey

- Last Faculty meeting, asked about catering events on campus. Response, Aramark does not have exclusive rights.
- Forwarded draft regulation 4.005 expected to go to board in January.
- Upcoming call for Faculty Award nominations. Added two categories, smaller awards, not specified in announcements.
- Reminder, Commencement December 12 at Alico. Faculty to be there by 8am, start at 9am. Contact college about parking pass.
- Emails of concern for use of undergraduate students to proctor final exams. Look at spring for policy.
- Discussion of policy of students versus work study.
- Discussion of drafting policy.
- Draft Textbook Regulation, still has to be approved by board of trustees January 19. Posted 30 days before (December 20) for public feedback.
- Discussion of negative responses by other faculty.
- Motion to extend time by 15 minutes- approved by board.
- Discussion of items 8, 9, 13 being beyond those of the mandate.
- Discussion of concern for Academic Freedom issues.
- Discussion of concern of tracking, how to track, why track.
- Provost addresses concern about if it can be changed.

- Motion to extend time by 10 minutes-approved by board.
- Provost discusses need for someone to be accountable, make suggestions as to whom.
- Discussion of “conflict of interest” and royalty issues.
- Motion to extend time by 10 minutes- approved by board.
- Discussion of improvements to regulation.
- Motion to extend time by 5 minutes- approved by board.
- Discussion of possible database while ordering

4.) Old Business-not discussed

5.) New Business

a.) Faculty workload for independent study supervision-Pat Greene.

- Unethical for student to pay for class, professor not to get paid for it.
- Discussion of proposal for compensation.
- Discussion of calculating number of hours for independent study and thesis supervision.
- Discussion of looking to other colleges and universities to get ideas, ask colleagues’ opinions.

Motion to adjourn meeting-approved by board.

Next meeting: Friday, January 15, 2010, 9:30am-11:30am