

FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY
Faculty Senate Meeting
DRAFT Minutes

Date: 10-30-2009 **Time:** 9:00 - 10:30AM **Place:** Student Union Chambers

Attendance:

Alexakis, George	Greene, Patrick	Lupe, Lori	Paschall, Mack	Towne, Amy
Anstadt, Scott	Hale, Katherine	McShane, Megan	Pavelka, Sandra	
	Hammerling, Julie	Mock, Karen	Renard, Monika	
Everham, Win	Hibbard, Susan	Morris, Doug		
Fauerbach, Michael	Kakareka, Joseph	Oistad, Kay	Rosenthal, Martha	
		Osterman Meyer, Angela		
Gilbert, Shelby	Lindsey, Chuck	Paine, Morgan T.	Swaleheen, Mushfiq	

Absent with Alternate (Alternate Senators):

Elliott, Beth (Doug Carothers); Fay, Patricia (Sheila Bolduc-Simpson); Roca, Maria (Suzanna Henson)

Absent with Proxy:

Kleeger, Jeff (George Alexakis); Van Duijn, Arie (Karen Mock); Villiers, Claude (Gilbert, Shelby)

Absent without Alternate or Proxy:

Walsh-Haney, Heather; Zhao, Fan

Guests:

Hudson Rogers

- 1) Gathering: 9:00 am. Quorum achieved at 9:15 am.
 - a) Welcome and Introductions – Chuck Lindsey

- 2) Approval of Minutes of October 2, 2009 and of October 16, 2009 (see handouts)
 - Motion to approve October 2 minutes – approved by board, with corrections to Provost Toll’s name
 - Motion to approve October 16 minutes – approved by board, with corrections to list of those attending, and name corrections
 - Discussion of sending out draft of minutes sooner for review

- 3) Standing Reports
 - a) Provost’s Report – Ron Toll
 - Hudson Rogers to give announcements and receive questions in Provost Toll’s place
 - Discussion of search committees to convene in the spring for 24 new faculty lines and 20 continuing lines
 - FGCU’s College of Business recognized in the *Princeton Review*
 - Faculty who are considering going up for promotion in the next few years are encouraged to attend Promotion Workshop held by Provost Toll on November 6 at 9 am in Sugden Hall 110

- Question: Address late start in searches and ads (posting at a slower rate than the national average), which is affecting the candidate pool—they are accepting other offers
- Answer: There has been difficulty with convening search committees in a timely fashion; discussions regarding searches began as early as June, however the administration wanted to ensure that funding for positions was confirmed before issuing ads
- Other comments on the issue: The problem of cancelling searches due to lack of funding is not unique; starting searches early is important (language in ads can include “pending funding” as other public universities state)

- Question: Readdress question re: Leadership Office of Civic Engagement staffing issue from last Senate meeting when Provost Toll was absent and Paul Snyder said the item was being considered
- Answer: Funds are currently available but fitting service learning into curriculum is under consideration

- Question: Address language in job postings on SOAR that includes teaching of both undergraduate and graduate classes – not applicable to positions in Visual and Performing Arts
- Answer: Will consider possible different language, i.e. “may involve teaching graduate classes”
- Other comments on the issue: File size capacity issues in SOAR (2 MB limit is problematic in Visual and Performing Arts for candidates uploading images of larger file size)

b) SGA Report – Peter Ryther, SGA Vice-President – No report

c) UFF Report – Monika Renard

- Bargaining meeting to be held next Tuesday, November 3 from 1-4 pm in AB5- 309; additional schedule TBA at that meeting
- PowerPoint presentation from last Senate meeting is posted on the UFF site and was also provided in a link in Mark Simpson’s email

d) Senate President’s Report – Chuck Lindsey

- Faculty Affairs working on revision of sabbatical guidelines to link CBA language with UFF; proposals are being considered
- Discuss Campus Climate announcement from President Bradshaw – survey will be available in a week

4) Old Business – there is no unfinished business before the Senate

5) New Business

a) Revisions to Excellence Awards guidelines (first reading) – Chuck Lindsey (see document)

- Discussion of implications and demands for teaching nominations (i.e. completion of documents and portfolio development)
- Discussion of additional recommendations for revisions, including:
 - Determine Instructor I, II, III as junior or senior status
- Motion to extend discussion by 10 minutes – approved by Senate

- Faculty eligible to receive award more than once (with potential 5-10 years in between)
- Move nomination letter deadline to end of fall
- Motion to extend discussion by 5 minutes – approved by Senate
 - Move portfolio deadline forward from March 1
- Motion to extend discussion by 10 minutes – One oppose
 - Monika to send Chuck list of additional suggested corrections to guidelines
- Chuck to send out revision proposals for approval at next Senate meeting

6) For the Good of the Order

- Request to add faculty compensation for independent studies to next Senate meeting agenda, to develop a recommendation from Senate (Chuck will yield Chair to Martha for this discussion)
- Address Loyalty Oath Policy amendment; Chuck is waiting on a response for this item

7) Announcements

- Livin' La Vida Local event today
- Note 9:30 am time for next Senate meeting

Next meeting: Friday, November 13, 2009, 9:30-11:30 am