

MINUTES
 FGCU Faculty Senate
 Friday, December 2, 2011, 9:30-11:30 am
 SU 213 (Student Union Chambers)

In Attendance: Banyan (proxy for Pavelka), Benford, Bottiger, Case, Cooper, Darnell, Epple (alternate N. Foote), Erdman, Everham, Fauerbach, Felton, Gilbert, Guo, Harris, Hoyt, Isaacs, Kakareka, Kim, Kleeger, Maksian (alternate for Anna Carlin), Navarantha, Osterman-Meyer, Renard, Ritrosky, Rosenthal, Shahul-Hameed (alternate for McShane), Simpson, H. Smith, Stecher, Torres, Towne, A. Van Duijn, Zhuo

Absent without alternate/Proxy: Karen Mock

Guests: A. Bouche, J. Carter, E. McCullogh, J. Rhea, P. Snyder, H. St. Hill, G. Tolley, Wright-Isak

Agenda Item	Responsible	Discussion	Action/Vote	Follow-up
1) Gathering: 9:30 am—	Harrison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and Introductions 		
2) Approval of Minutes of November 18, 2011	Isaacs		Approved with minor corrections.	
3) Guest Report	President Wilson Bradshaw	<p>Information and discussion item on higher education reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No major bills have been filed about higher education One bill has been emerging in the early stages about higher ed but has no companion State resident status to give US citizens who have attended high school in FL for two years. Has been in Tallahassee recently to push published legislative agenda – appropriate FTE funding and PECO requests. PECO is expected to be thin in next two-three years. Hoping for matching for gifts. BOG is entertaining regulation to guide SUS in offering programs in other University’s regions. Not very threatening to us. May not improve much. <p>Campus Climate and Culture – Town Hall meeting was not possible in Fall 2011; getting close to a date and time in Spring and will send it out.</p> <p>BOG and Higher Ed Reform</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Delaney presented report in response to Governor’s requests (Judy Pence, Eric Baron, Rick Yost faculty at UF, Bradshaw all on committee) all have been shared with Faculty Senate. Metrics are not new – graduation and retention rates and focus on STEM and rewards for students in those majors. Tuition differentials don’t make sense; merit pay for research and teaching. However SUS is not broken so reform may 	Information/Discussion Only	

		<p>be the wrong word. Gov has not released higher ed agenda for 2012 session; still talking about K-12. What Texas ended up with is not where they started and looks more like their response to the Gov's requests.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Question about ACT report on Florida student preparedness for STEM. – Bradshaw spending time with local superintendents to work on college readiness. Disconnect between what is valued and rewarded on K-12 and what is required to succeed. (Lee is A school district but doesn't prepare enough students well enough.) FCAT is not a measure of college readiness. Underserved populations are growing and need to begin to address it now. Change takes time. What about responsibility of students? Focus can't only be on good teaching it must be on learning. Interests in disciplines have to be nurtured. • Question about impact on strategic plan given FTE funding disparities. Anticipate a decrease in rate of enrollment growth. Current capacity is to add 3000 students over next 3-4 years if adjust scheduling model and space utilization. If don't add new building can't grow beyond that. Already have one of the most efficient space utilization in SUS. Currently recruiting over 50 faculty spots and have funded 38 new faculty for next year and looking at staffing in the colleges. 		
<p>4) Standing Reports a) Provost's Report</p>	<p>Provost Ronald Toll</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data points to consider – must turn kids on to Math and Science by 7th grade; have effectively turned them off. FGCU's admin is very sensitive to the reality of suggestions for reform. • Space is an important conversation coming this spring. Flat in seeing student-faculty ratio or section size growing over last two years. 1:34 is where we are and intend to keep it there. Takes 30 months to build a building. If don't get funding in next six months to a year then can't count on a new building in three years. • Second annual Promotion celebration was held recently at Grandezza and will continue to do this next fall. • Promotion workshop – almost 70 people have preregistered. • Two dates for Senate to watch Basketball from President's box coming. • Staffing increase announcement coming next week and they are sensitive to support students and faculty needs. 	<p>Information/Report Only</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion Workshop, Dec 8 in Sugden 110 9-12; people can still register by contacting Tiffany Jackson. • Basketball all informal evening; invitations coming.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provost and contingent of FGCU administration going to SACS meeting in Orlando next week to keep pace with trends and accreditation standards. 		
b) SGA Report	Justin Carter, SGA Vice-President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriations committee working on annual budget season but are waiting for their budget number for next fiscal year. • Student leadership now preparing annual report of their accomplishments and will be forwarding to us. • In process of establishing Student Government Scholarship with hopes to distribute next fall. 	Information/Report Only	
c) UFF Report	Monika Renard, UFF President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C & I report is due from Balmoral; the external consultant. • UFF continues its lobbying in Tallahassee; hosting dinner for Senators friendly to faculty interests. • Hot Topics are continuing; need more pictures and info about members. • Question about how to synthesize data and present it in C & I. Will be completing the connections between the formulas provided and individual salary issues. • Labor Management is busy this term on Parental leave but looking for future issues. 	Information/Report Only	
d) Senate President's Report	Douglas Harrison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared Governance Forum at 8:30 – focused on idea generation and focusing on defining issues faculty think are most important and on behaviors of all parties to be accountable to it. Will be extending the conversation beyond the January BOT meeting to continue to engage inclusively and productively. Invites more thoughts and issues. • Lee Duffus funeral arrangements and his service were noted. • OATF – asks for participation in data gathering. They will be reporting back at first Senate meeting in January with preliminary feedback. • Met with Jennifer Goen earlier this week – legislative session issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Not big discussions right now on changing tenure or pension this year. ○ Intense interest on how state agencies buy contracts and spend funds. ○ Budget estimating will be later this year; end of March. • USF Polytechnic report is available. • Excellence Award guidelines will be distributed shortly and similar to last year. • PDFG Fall funding \$83,000 in requests were received and \$45,000 was allocated. • Noted Linda Serro email earlier in the week about QEP topics. • Appointments team has made three recommendations to serve on Search for AVP and Dean of Graduate Studies. 	Information/Report	Excellence Awards guidelines to be distributed next week.

5) Old Business a) Proposed Faculty Senate Bylaws Amendment 2011.12	Harrison	Senate Planning and Budget Advisory Committee, second reading (see document here). By-Laws are now revised and will be available on Senate Website.	Action Motion was carried.	
b) Proposed Faculty Senate Bylaws Amendment 2011.13	Jaffar Ali Shahul-Hameed, Greg Tolley	(Graduate Affairs), second reading (see document here). By-Laws are now revised and will be available on Senate Website.	Action Motion was carried.	
c) Proposed changes to Chairs and Deans Evaluation Instrument, second reading (see document here)	Harrison/H. Smith	<p>Reported on substantive engagement of all parties in process and moving this forward. Had good meeting with Marci Greene and Mitch Cordova who committed (and repeated Provost commitment) to making this happen this academic year. Meeting with Chairs and Deans during week of 12th to finalize the document and ensure that the feedback provided will be a part of overall professional development feedback for Chairs and Deans.</p> <p>Motion to postpone definitely the second reading until January 13 meeting.</p> <p>Wright-Isak of FAT talked about history of research into corporate and other evaluation documents and how this was introduced into the process and the resulting document. Took out judgments that faculty could not have experience with. There is a scale and not a grade with two other categories of Not Applicable or No Information. Can still impact the instrument.</p> <p>Provost – good collaborative working spirit; not trying to stonewall and is committed to having this happen in Spring semester.</p> <p>Motion passed to extend time for five minutes.</p>	Action Motion: H. Smith Second: Everham Motion carried.	
d) Update from Learning Management System Task Force	Angela Meyer, Elspeth McCulloch	<p>Summary of work for the term and what is coming. They have survey results that define important elements of the LMS and what works about various aspects and what doesn't in context of Angel and other LMS's used on campus. Have met with various stakeholder groups beyond the survey; i.e., Office of Adaptive Services and Council of Deans as well as representative groups from faculty and staff.</p> <p>Currently coding free response to include to report to the Provost due on December 15. Still bridging with other groups who have interest in this tool (like Outcomes and Assessment Task Force.) Report will not recommend specific vendor or product but will specify what we need. Anticipate having vendors on campus during later part of Spring. Will be issuing an invitation to negotiate.</p> <p>Discussion ensued about what faculty would like to see when Vendors come to campus; would like to see committee's reactions to the Vendors and do an analysis of benefits and tradeoffs. Will also share with</p>	Information and discussion item	

		Senate Tech Team. Will be trying systems out and will be releasing rubrics to evaluate the systems among all stakeholders. Final decision about which LMS to use will follow shared governance principles but will come from someone above the committee.		
6) New Business a) FGCU Community Engagement Day	Jessica Rhea	Attachment to Agenda – asked faculty to consider adding Community Engagement Day as a element of their course – Friday, April 13 in Alico Arena. Would like to hear from faculty about number of classes which will be doing this to better plan for the element. Asking faculty to consider adding Service to their courses. Highlighted community based research which can be part of service learning. Research indicates that student learning skyrockets with this approach.	Discussion and information item	Community Engagement Day –Friday, April 13 in Alico Arena
7) For the Good of the Order		Doug Harrison thanked Senators and Executive for their engagement.		
8)Announcements		Empty Bowls project started today and is going on right now. Merwin Hall dedication December 5 1:00 in the Portico.	Adjourned	
Future Meeting Dates		Next Senate meeting: Friday, January 13, 2012, 9:30-11:30 am Senate Leadership Team meeting: Friday, January 13, 2012, noon-1:30 p.m. SU 213		

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