

## **2012-2013 Faculty Senate**

### **Biographies of Officer Candidates**

#### **Chair**

**Ida J. Cook, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Central Florida, received her B.A. (U. of F.) in 1967, her M.S. (F.S.U.) in 1969, and her Ph.D. in sociology in 1976 from North Carolina State University (*An Evaluation of Change in the Relationship between Ascriptive and Achievement Variables in the United States from 1960-1970*). Dr. Cook's research focuses on evaluation of social programs, community change, political behavior, substance abuse, public attitudes toward pornography, domestic violence, and health care for the elderly. She has presented her research at numerous conferences and has published several monographs and technical reports on evaluation of faculty/student attitudes toward open access textbooks and materials, experiences with internationalization, graduate student financial needs, attitudes toward retirement, services for children in poverty, substance abuse, social programs, domestic violence, study of experiences and satisfaction of participants in study abroad programs. Her current research examines the student leisure experiences and their relationship to the work environment and access to alcohol. At UCF, she has been involved in many areas of faculty governance, including the Faculty Senate (Chair, Vice Chair, committee service), College of Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences, UFF and community service.

#### **Vice Chair**

**Reid Oetjen, Ph.D., M.S.H.S.**, is an Associate Professor and the Director of the Graduate Programs in Health Services Administration in the Department of Health Management and Informatics at the University of Central Florida. He teaches courses at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Dr. Oetjen focuses his teaching on long-term care administration, healthcare quality management, human resources management, and the aging of the population.

Dr. Oetjen has numerous peer-reviewed publications and regularly presents his research at academic and practitioner conferences. His research foci are on the long-term care quality,

developing tools for healthcare practitioners, and the scholarship of teaching and learning. In addition to his academic experience, Dr. Oetjen served as an Assistant Administrator for a national Skilled Nursing Facility chain and spent 10 years as an operations manager for a major international airline.

He has served on the Faculty Senate since 2009 and currently serves as the Secretary. In addition to his University service, he is very active within the College of Health and Public Affairs and the Department of Health Management & Informatics. Reid is also active in several national professional organizations, the Association of University Programs in Health Administration and the Academy of Management. He is Chair of the Upsilon Phi Delta National Honor Society and is a member of the AUPHA Nominating Committee.

### **Secretary**

**Christopher W. Blackwell, Ph.D., ARNP, ANP-BC, CNE**, is a Tenure-earning, Assistant Professor and the Coordinator of the Family and Adult-Geriatric Nurse Practitioner programs in the Department of Graduate Affairs in the College of Nursing at the University of Central Florida. He teaches doctoral courses in epidemiology/public health and advanced clinical management of complex diseases and courses in health policy, advanced pharmacology, and adult health in the Master of Science in Nursing programs. In addition to his numerous professional conference presentations, Dr. Blackwell has over 17 peer-reviewed scholarly publications in several well-respected journals. His research foci are health and social disparity issues for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered persons; he has studied high-risk sexual behaviors in men who have sex with men and public health interventions designed to reduce their risk for HIV, HPV, and cancer. As a Board-Certified Adult Health Nurse Practitioner, Dr. Blackwell also maintains his clinical practice in Pulmonary/Critical Care and serves as Vice-Chair for the Adult Health Nurse Practitioner Certification program for the American Nurses Credentialing Center. He is also a Certified Nurse Educator through the National League for Nursing and was the recipient of the 2010 Excellence in Graduate Teaching Award and 2011 Teaching Incentive Program Award for the College of Nursing.