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Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Advisory Committee (Section VIII-D) **2020-2021 Annual Summary Report to Senate**

Summary of Meetings

The FCTL Advisory Board met twice during the academic year 2020-2021. The first meeting was held on October 15, 2020 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. and the second on February 18, 2021 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Both meetings were held remotely through Zoom. Denise Kay, UCF College of Medicine, served as chair this year.

Summary of Issues or Topics Addressed

The committee discussed and advised FCTL on

- Remote programs
- The future role of synchronous online and high flex teaching
- How remote modalities will affect evaluations of teaching
- Challenges for studio/clinical/lab teaching during COVID
- Balancing legitimate needs for flexible policies with student accountability

The committee reviewed and discussed Faculty Center regular programming:

- New Faculty Orientation
- 2020 Winter Faculty Development Conference: Addressing the Teaching Challenges of 2020
- 2021 Summer Faculty Development Conference: Renewing Our Commitment to Critical Thinking and Inquiry
- Faculty Learning Communities, Writing Groups, Book Clubs, and Course Innovation Projects themed on SoTL, Active Learning, Synchronous Online Teaching, and Contemplative Teaching Practices
- Adjunct Orientations and adjunct programming
- GTA Orientations and GTA programming
- Teaching and Learning Days on the topics of Digital Interactions with Students, Webcourses, Active Learning, Interactive Lectures, Case-Based and Problem-Based Learning, Digital Natives, Student Mental Health, Academic Dishonesty, Student Motivation, New Teaching Modalities, Inclusive Teaching

The committee reviewed and discussed Faculty Center involvement with several initiatives:

- Course Redesign
- Adjunct Faculty
- Scholarship for Teaching and Learning
- Remote Teaching

- Student Accessibility Services
- J-1 Programming
- Knighted Faculty Credentialing Program

Committee members convened to select the University Excellence Awards for Teaching and for Undergraduate Advising. The committee reviewed Faculty Center efforts to solicit faculty input regarding instructional needs and to provide instructional support and faculty development.