

# Faculty Senate Steering Committee

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Faculty Senate Steering Committee  
**FROM:** Faculty Senate Office  
**DATE:** April 20, 1998  
**SUBJECT:** Minutes of meeting held on April 2, 1998

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The Faculty Senate Steering Committee was called to order by Dr. Richard Tucker, Chair, at 4:06 p.m. Minutes of the March 5 meeting were approved after a change in wording to read: ...concern for apathy and lack of interest...in the second paragraph of **Old Business**. Members present: Drs. Stephen Goodman, Naval Modani, Ida Cook, Glenn Cunningham, Terri Fine, Phil Taylor, Taylor Ellis, Rosie Joels, James McBrayer, Carol Hinshaw, and Provost Gary Whitehouse.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Dr. Tucker stated that as a follow-up to the resolution on Graduate Certificate Programs, the Graduate Policy and Curriculum Committee has revised the policies as indicated in the memo from Dr. Pat Bishop. (The draft was distributed to the Steering Committee.) Dr. Tucker requested suggestions regarding the draft. With no further inquiry from the Steering Committee, Dr. Tucker stated that he will indicate to the GPCC that the Steering Committee has no further recommendations. The GPCC will meet on April 9, 1998.

Dr. Terri Fine reported that the Plus/Minus grading will be implemented by the new committee of the next Senate year. This grading policy will not be in the 1998-1999 catalog. The committee will meet again on April 16, and a complete report will be announced at the Faculty Senate meeting on April 23, 1998.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The nominating committee for the 1998-1999 Faculty Senate officers consists of past chairs: Dr. Phil Taylor, Chair, Drs. Ida Cook, Rosie Joels, Naval Modani, and Glenn Cunningham. The Committee was proud to announce the proposed slate:

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| <b>Chair:</b>      | <b>Dr. Ida Cook</b>     | <b>Sociology/Anthropology</b>  |
| <b>Vice Chair:</b> | <b>Dr. David Abbott</b> | <b>Psychology</b>              |
| <b>Secretary:</b>  | <b>Dr. Lee Cross</b>    | <b>Educational Foundations</b> |

Since there is only one candidate for each office, it was questioned if the Steering Committee was following proper procedures as set down in the Senate Constitution (Section 3.8.2.). It was recommended that the Constitution guidelines be followed more closely next year. After a lengthy discussion of the question, Dr. Joels moved to approve the slate. Dr. Modani seconded the motion. Dr. Tucker stated that he will forward a memorandum, along with the minutes of the March meetings, to all faculty indicating that additional nominations will be accepted from any faculty and professional librarian at the April 23, 1998 Faculty Senate meeting. A list of all returning and newly

elected senators for the 1998-1999 Senate will be attached for their perusal. Biographical sketches on the three nominees will also be attached.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Tucker announced that the 5-year review of the provost was completed. The results of the review should be available by April 15, 1998.

Dr. Tucker announced the Grand Marshals and Faculty Representatives for Spring Commencement, May 9, 1998.

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| College of Arts and Sciences            | Grand Marshal<br>Faculty Rep | Prof. Homer Gerber<br>Prof. John Leeson |
| College of Education                    | Grand Marshal<br>Faculty Rep | Prof. John Armstrong<br>Prof. Lee Cross |
| College of Health and<br>Public Affairs | Grand Marshal<br>Faculty Rep | Prof. Frances Smith<br>Prof. Jean Kijek |
| College of Business                     | Grand Marshal                | Prof. Henry Anderson                    |
| College of Engineering                  | Faculty Rep                  | Prof. Ola Nnadi                         |

### **OTHER**

Dr. Tucker recommended that the Faculty Senate commend and recognize President Hitt for the fine job and excellent contributions he has made to the University of Central Florida during his 6-year tenure. This recommendation was accepted by acclamation. Drs. Jim McBrayer, Glenn Cunningham and Taylor Ellis will discuss an appropriate form of commendation.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.