

Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes of
April 20, 2017

Keith Koons, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Dr. Koons noted that today marks the 50th anniversary of the Faculty Senate. Informed the senators that a celebration will be held August 24 with all previous leaders and members of the Faculty Senate invited. The roll was circulated for signatures and the procedure for the roll was explained.

MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of March 30, 2017 was made and seconded. The minutes were approved as recorded.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Cynthia Young, Vice Provost, Faculty Excellence and International Affairs and Global Strategies

Kristy McAllister, Coordinator, Academic Affairs Information and Publication Services

Lucretia Cooney, Associate Director, Faculty Excellence

Robert Folger, College of Business Administration

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Koons thanked the leadership team for 2016-2017, William Self and Kevin Coffey, for their work during the year.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

REPORT OF THE PROVOST

The provost welcomed the new and returning senators. Noted that the voice of the faculty is important. Recognized Keith Koons for his service as chair of the Faculty Senate for the past two years and 20 years' service to the Faculty Senate. The impact of the resolutions over the past two years has been high. Welcomed the new senators Natasha Jones, Jennifer Mundale, Obi Nwakanma, Scott Blake, Anne Sullivan, Pavel Zemliansky, Rebecca Bennet, Xin He, Thomas Cox, Nicole Damico, Ulas Bagci, Sumanta Pattanaik, Qian Hu, Susan Quelly, Dmitry Kolpashchikov, Yuanwei Qi, and Murat Kizildag. The provost looks forward to working with the new chair of the Faculty Senate and to the 50th anniversary celebration in August.

NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Koons asked the senators to introduce themselves in order to start getting familiar with everyone from different colleges.

Election of Officers

In the absence of the past chair, Dr. Koons thanked the members of the nominating committee, Bari Hoffman-Ruddy, Linda Walters, and Damla Turgut for their work. The Nominating Committee recommended a new slate of nominees; William Self for chair, Michelle Kelley for vice chair, and Kevin Coffey for secretary. All candidates agreed to the nominations. He called for additional nominations from the floor. There were none.

Motion and second made to vote on the slate of officers by acclamation. All in favor; motion carried.

The officers elected for the 2017-2018 Senate are:

Chair:	William Self, College of Medicine
Vice Chair:	Michelle Kelley, College of Education and Human Performance
Secretary:	Kevin Coffey, College of Engineering and Computer Science

Dr. Koons turned the meeting over to the newly elected chair, William Self. Dr. Self thanked the senators for their support. Thanked Drs. Kelley and Coffey for agreeing to serve as leaders. Reiterated appreciation to Dr. Koons for his leadership over the past two years. Noted specific instances of an unprecedented emergency Steering Committee meeting over the summer, leadership in the Advisory Council of Faculty Senates, a series of Bylaw changes, and efforts as a member of the Board of Trustees.

Call for Topics 2017-2018

Dr. Self opened the floor for any topics or issues of concern that the Senate may need to address next year or alternatively topics can be sent to the Faculty Senate office at FacultySenate@ucf.edu. Asked the senators to seek topics with colleagues. The Steering committee will review the topics and identify topics appropriate to distribute to specific committees in the Fall semester. A senator requested the master list of topics thus far be distributed to the senators.

A senator expressed a topic of concern is to determine what changes should occur prior to becoming a Hispanic serving institution.

Reminded the senators that the Steering Committee acts as the Faculty Senate over the summer. Reach out over the summer in the event other issues arise.

Establishment of Steering and Committee on Committees

Dr. Self discussed the caucus process by which colleges elect members to serve on the Steering Committee and the Committee on Committees in addition to the role of each committee.

Each college met to caucus and elect members to the Steering Committee. The following senators in addition to the Senate leaders were elected by their colleges to serve on the Steering Committee:

College of Arts and Humanities: Margaret Ann Zaho and Anastasia Salter
College of Business Administration: Rebecca Bennett
College of Education and Human Performance: Nicole Damico
College of Engineering and Computer Science: Damla Turgut and Nina Orlovskaya
College of Health and Public Affairs: Bari Hoffman-Ruddy and Eric Merriam
College of Medicine: Laurel Gorman
College of Nursing: Mindi Anderson
College of Optics and Photonics: Jim Moharam
College of Sciences: Linda Walters and Joseph Harrington
Rosen College of Hospitality Management: Kevin Murphy
University Libraries: Richard Harrison

The following Steering Committee members were elected by the senators from their colleges to serve on the Committee on Committees:

College of Arts and Humanities: Margaret Ann Zaho
College of Business Administration: Rebecca Bennett
College of Education and Human Performance: Nicole Damico
College of Engineering and Computer Science: Nina Orlovskaya
College of Health and Public Affairs: Bari Hoffman-Ruddy
College of Medicine: Laurel Gorman
College of Nursing: Nicole Damico
College of Optics and Photonics: Jim Moharam
College of Sciences: Linda Walters
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OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.