

**UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA**  
**FACULTY SENATE**  
**MINUTES**  
**April 25, 2002**

Dr. Michael Mullens, Faculty Senate Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. The roll was circulated for signatures. The minutes of February 21, 2002 were unanimously approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:**

- Dr. Mullens recognized and welcomed Vice President John Schell, Shellie Foss and Rachel Viggiano, UCF Library.
  
- Provost Gary Whitehouse reported the Legislature is planned to meet on Monday, April 29, 2002 at noon, and information regarding the budget will be discussed.
- UCF expects more enrollments for summer and fall 2002.
- A bonus package of \$350,000 has been approved. The Budget Committee has recommended using a portion for USPS merit increases. Mark Roberts, Director, Human Resources will chair the Committee on this issue.
- Dr. Mullens discussed the Board of Trustees new governance structure in Florida. How should the Senates from the state universities look at the new governance? How does the Senate relate to the new structure? The Senate has an opportunity to attend the Board of Trustees meetings and have lunch to get acquainted.
- Four senators have been invited to attend the Board of Trustees luncheon and meeting. A good opportunity to visit and get acquainted. Volunteers for the May 16, 2002 meeting are Drs. Naval Modani, Robert Lange, Cynthia Young and Consuelo Stebbins.
- Discussion regarding senators becoming more actively involved with UCF issues. Dr. Modani stated that the Senate has four Standing Committees that work with most issues at UCF. The Graduate Council, Undergraduate Policy and Curriculum Procedures, Personnel, and Budget and Administrative Committees work as advisory members and write resolutions for the Senate and UCF faculty. Dr. Modani also stated that for several years UCF Administration has approved most of the Senate's resolutions.
- Dr. Mullens thanked the returning senators for all their work during the past year and a special thank you to the chairs of the committees: UPCC, Dr. Bob Pennington; Graduate Council, Dr. David Hagan; Budget and Administrative, Dr. Arlen Chase; and Personnel, Dr. Sophia Dziegielewski. Dr. Mullens stated that beginning in September one member of the BOT would be invited to attend the Senate meetings.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

New and returning senators from each college were invited to stand and introduce themselves and their departments.

### **Election of Officers**

Dr. Naval Modani introduced the Steering Committee's nominees for Senate officers.

**Chair:** Dr. Michael Mullens, College of Engineering and Computer Sciences

**Vice Chair:** Dr. Arlen Chase, College of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Kieth Koons, College of Arts and Sciences

**Secretary:** Dr. Diane Wink, College of Health and Public Affairs

Dr. Modani requested other nominations for the chair position from the floor. With no other nominations, it was moved and seconded to accept Dr. Michael Mullens to continue as chair by acclamation. The motion was seconded and adopted unanimously.

Dr. Modani returned the floor to Dr. Mullens. Dr. Mullens thanked the Senate for their confidence in his election for a third term.

Dr. Mullens announced the two senators running for vice chair, Drs. Arlen Chase and Kieth Koons. Each expressed thanks for their nominations and their reasons for running for the position of vice chair. With no other nominations from the floor for the position of vice chair, it was moved and seconded to close nominations. A secret ballot was taken for the position. Dr. Chase received 27 votes and Dr. Koons 19 votes. Fourteen senators did not attend, therefore, totaling 60 senators.

Dr. Mullens identified Dr. Diane Wink for secretary. Other nominations were requested from the floor. With no other nominations from the floor, it was moved and seconded to accept Dr. Diane Wink to continue as secretary by acclamation. The motion carried.

Dr. Mullens proceeded to inform the new Faculty Senate of the functions and composition of the Steering Committee and the Committee on Committees. He asked the senators from each college caucus to elect members for the Steering Committee and Committee on Committees. The following members were elected:

### **Steering Committee**

**Chair:** Dr. Michael Mullens

Vice Chair: Dr. Arlen Chase

Secretary: Dr. Diane Wink

Past Chair: Dr. Ida Cook

Provost: Dr. Gary Whitehouse

Arts and Sciences

Dr. Kieth Koons

Dr. Martha Marinara

Dr. Consuelo Stebbins

Dr. Cynthia Young

Business Administration

Dr. Naval Modani

Education

Dr. Jeffrey Kaplan

Engineering

Dr. Ahmad Elshennawy

Dr. Alain Kassab

Health & Public Affairs

Dr. Janice Peterson

Dr. Mullens suggested the four liaisons to the Standing Committees be added to the Committee on Committees.

**Committee on Committees**

<b>Chair: Dr. Arlen Chase</b>	Liaison for BUDGET
<b>Past Chair: Ida Cook</b>	
Arts and Sciences	Dr. Keith Koons
Business Administration	Dr. Naval Modani
Education	Dr. Jeffrey Kaplan Liaison for UPCC
Engineering	Dr. Ahmad Elshennawy
Health & Public Affairs	Dr. Janice Peterson
Engineering	Dr. Alain Kassab Liaison for GRADUATE
Arts and Sciences	Dr. Cynthia Young Liaison for PERSONNEL

Dr. Mullens reminded the Senate of the President's reception held at the Burnett House at 5:30 p.m., and all are invited to attend.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Next Faculty Senate meeting: August 22, 2002 at 4:00 p.m.  
Location: Student Union Cape Florida Ballroom, 316