

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA
FACULTY SENATE STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES
AUGUST 27, 1992

Dr. Glenn Cunningham, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Steering Committee members present were Drs. Armstrong, Cook, Cornett, Gupton, Judkins, Leckie, Modani, Swart and Taylor. Dr. Frank Juge was also in attendance. Minutes of June 30th and July 21 meetings were accepted unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dr. Cunningham asked non-officer Steering Committee members to let him know their preferences for liaison work with the following Senate standing committees: Undergraduate Policy and Curriculum; Graduate Policy and Curriculum; Personnel; Budget and Administrative Procedures.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Cunningham indicated that he had made the appointments to the research and library committees according to our recommendations.

Faculty Senators have been surveyed to determine their choice for committee work. Dr. Modani has contacted chairs, deans, and Drs. Astro and Juge, seeking comprehensive recommendations for committee appointments. He requested that the Committee on Committees remain at the conclusion of this meeting to set a meeting time. Both Drs. Cunningham and Modani discussed the process for filling in committees and phasing membership so that some experienced members remain next year.

Dr. Cunningham stated that he had asked Dr. Milan Meeske to represent faculty on the Safety and Parking Committee. This committee and the Strategic Planning Council should be added to the constitution next year as reporting committees.

Dr. Cunningham discussed the letter from Dr. Juge regarding the establishment of a search committee for the provost position. The Steering Committee was polled to solicit recommendations for addition or deletion to the Provost Search Committee list provided by Dr. Cunningham.

Dr. Cunningham read his memorandum to Dr. Astro regarding the establishment of the Ad Hoc General Education Program review committee. He indicated that he supported Dean Sheridan's appointment as ex-officio chair of this committee. He stated that at least one-half of the members of this committee should also be members of the Undergraduate Policy and Curriculum Committee and that the Ad Hoc Committee should report to the UPCC, then the Steering Committee, and then the Faculty Senate. The Steering Committee expressed agreement with this policy.

Dr. Cunningham stated that the issue of the development of video courses was a significant one that will be handled by the Undergraduate Policy and Curriculum Committee. He stated that the Instructional Resources Committee should be involved in this discussion.

Drs. Cunningham and Juge discussed the matter of faculty members returning to instructor status and related personnel concerns. Dr. Juge indicated that such a move is extremely rare. Dr. Cunningham will ask the Personnel Committee to consider this matter.

Dr. Cunningham announced that the President's Inauguration would be November 19th and that it coincides with the Board of Regents' meeting. Dr. Lee Armstrong has been asked to chair the overall Inauguration Committee and Dr. Les Ellis will be responsible for the Inauguration Day Events.

Dr. Cunningham read his letter to Drs. Hitt and Astro regarding the unfair budget allocations among the SUS institutions and that UCF had been punished, in effect, for following the rules. Dr. Cunningham offered Faculty Senate assistance in addressing this inequity. He also requested that Dr. Hitt address this serious issue at the Faculty Senate meeting. Dr. Gupton suggested that we hold our local legislative representatives responsible for their actions in this arena.

Dr. Juge indicated that the tenure and promotion rule changes were not placed in the legal statutes as required by the Board of Regents - UFF agreement in time to go into effect for 1992-1993. Therefore 1991-1992 rules remain in force for the current academic year. Since this delay is due to processing problems in our legal office, Dr. Juge will send the faculty, Deans, and Chairs a memo regarding the delay.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey W. Cornett, Secretary