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## Chair's Corner

By Joseph Harrington, Chair

Welcome to the UCF Faculty Senate's monthly newsletter!

Each month after the Faculty Senate meeting, we will send meeting summaries with links to videos of the President, Provost, and guest reports at Senate and Steering meetings, BOT meetings, and news from the BOG and legislature as they pertain to UCF. Longer articles will be [links to blogs](#) on [faculty senate.ucf.edu](http://faculty senate.ucf.edu). We want faculty to understand UCF's financial condition, administrative decisions and priorities, and changing policies, and to participate in university planning. We seek your input as we work to balance brevity and content in future issues. Send suggestions and requests for articles to [f senate@ucf.edu](mailto:f senate@ucf.edu). Happy Holidays!

## Faculty Senate: 12/2/2021

<https://youtu.be/-vUppuBjfcv>—[link to slides](#)

Chair Harrington (0:02:00): Reduced student/faculty ratio included in President's goals, Senate acting to improve administration-faculty communication, report from BOT Strategic Planning meeting.

Chair Q&A (0:27:08): Robust discussion about faculty salaries.

President Cartwright (0:40:00): General Counsel appointment, research updates (Hawking Center, army contract), strategic planning.

President Q&A (1:00:53): Faculty concerns about salary and workload, decision to teach live under COVID.

Interim Provost Michael Johnson (1:15:00): Raises, fundraising, student and faculty accomplishments, COVID, spring classes, Ph.D. program approval, graduation ceremonies.

Provost Q&A (1:21:30): Faculty salaries, faculty morale, faculty concerned about students electing to attend classes remotely.

SVP and CFO Gerald Hector (1:35:00): Deep dive into new budget model.

CFO Q&A (2:01:27): Service level agreements, external funding, COVID emergency funds.

## Steering: 11/18/2021

<https://youtu.be/zG3kybsKk7c>

Vice Provost Jana Jasinski (0:00:00): Faculty and student accomplishments, Biomedical Engineering Ph.D. program, commencement, COVID, student success and enrollment, deans and searches.

Provost Q&A (00:02:35): Faculty concerned about students electing to attend classes remotely.

Chair Harrington (0:21:00): Board of Trustees meeting, communications concerns between faculty and administration, reducing student/faculty ratio included in president's goals.

Chair Q&A (00:26:35): Senate/faculty communication.

## Board of Trustees Strategic Planning Workshop: 12/2/2021

Materials to appear on [bot.ucf.edu](http://bot.ucf.edu) after approval at next meeting.

Youndy Cook confirmed as Vice President and General Counsel. Presentation of strategic planning framework, discussion of planning process and UCF's future.

## Strategic Planning News

By Stephen King, Vice Chair

Strategic planning began in September and is well underway as the semester ends. President Cartwright appointed a Strategic Planning Working Group to gather input from university stakeholders and to guide the development of the strategic plan. The Faculty Senate is assisting the Working Group by leading faculty forums on various topics critical to UCF faculty. An initial strategic plan framework was presented to the Board of Trustees and can be found at: <https://www.ucf.edu/strategic-plan/>. In the next few days, the website will host a whitepaper process to collect, analyze and share the input, ideas, strengths, and concerns of all UCF stakeholders as we continue to develop the plan and identify mechanisms and paths to meet its goals.

## The UCF Board of Trustees and Union Contract Negotiations

by Joseph Harrington, Chair

Who is the UCF bargaining team and who sets contract terms? In [this blog posting](#), I lay out the people and the process.

## Of Note:

UCF Policies Website: <https://policies.ucf.edu/>

CFO Gerald Hector's Dollars and \$ense Webinars: No page yet, Search "Dollars and \$ense" for slides.

Faculty Senate Committee Interest Survey: [http://ucf.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_0xOsdQ1ZrzOPNc2](http://ucf.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0xOsdQ1ZrzOPNc2)

## Upcoming Faculty Senate meetings

January 20: 3:00 p.m. \* February 17: 3:00 p.m. \* March 17: 3:00 p.m.

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