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UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA  
FACULTY SENATE STEERING COMMITTEE

AGENDA

DATE: January 3, 1991  
TIME: 4:00 P.M.  
ROOM: CEBA II, ROOM 472  
4TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL
3. MINUTES OF November 15, 1990, 1990 TO APPROVE
4. OLD BUSINESS
  - a) Dr. we have a response from Dr. Astro concerning the American Sign Lanaguage program?
  - b) Do we have a response from Dr. Astro concerning Resolutions 1990-1991-1, 2, 3, 4
5. Liaison's reports from Senate Committees:
6. NEW BUSINESS: **RESOLUTION 1990-1991-9**  
The current criterion for University honors:  
The University shall confer baccalaureate honors recognition on those students who have completed a minimum of 48 semester hours at UCF and who:
  - A. Attain an overall grade point average which is in the upper 15% of the range established by all students graduating in the same college during the previous two years.
  - B. Attain at least a 3.0 overall grade point average.
  - C. Honors awarded will be
    1. Summa Cum Laude for those students in the upper 5%
    2. Magna Cum Laude for those students in the upper 10%, but not in the upper 5%.
    3. Cum Laude for those students in the upper 15% but not in the upper 10%.

should be changed to:

- A. Attain an overall grade point average which is in the upper 10% of the range established by all students graduating in the same college during the previous two years.
- B. Attain at least a 3.2 overall grade point average.
- C. Honors awarded will be
  1. Summa Cum Laude for those students in the upper 2.5%.
  2. Magna Cum Laude for those students in the upper 5%, but not in the upper 2.5%.
  3. Cum Laude for those students in the upper 10% but not in the upper 5%.

Proposed by Fac. Sen. Admissions & Standards Committee

Rationale: This resolution reduces the number of honors graduates from one in seven to one in ten. It also increases the threshold GPA to 3.2 instead of 3.0. A number of ways exist to increase standards, the committee felt that this recommendation would be a good intermediate step towards an honors criterion linked into the University honors program. The committee will meet in the Spring for further discussion on improving honors standards and will invite members of the University Honors Committee to discuss improvements. In general, the committee feels that honors selection should be tightly coupled to the colleges, the faculty, and the honors programs.



7. OTHER

a)

b)

Next meeting of Steering Committee is January 17, 1991.

8. ADJOURNMENT