

Faculty Senate Committee Reports March 3, 2022

Budget and Administrative Committee

Chair – Tina Buck; Vice Chair – Adam Wells Request to Speak at Senate/Steering No update

Information Technology Committee

Chair – Glenn Martin; Vice Chair – Lee Dotson; Steering/Senate Liaison – Joseph Harrington Request to Speak at Senate/Steering

February 22, 2022

Committee met for about an hour. Discussion about the mass e-mail policy was had with Hank Glaspie giving a review of other university's approaches. In addition, "software for the common good" was continued with approaches of others reviewed. A discussion of VPN issues, including port blocking of outbound VPN, was also held. Hank Glaspie stated he would review current policy to see if changes could be made.

Personnel Committee

Chair – Edwin Torres; Vice Chair – Adam Parrish

□ Request to Speak at Senate/Steering

February 2022

The Personnel Committee met twice since the last steering committee meeting. On February 9, 2022 Personnel hosted a discussion with Provost Johnson and SVP Hector on the subject of Wage Erosion. Key points highlighted for the period 2015 to 2021 included: (1) University administration cost have not grown faster than E&G funding; (2) World Class faculty are funded in 2021 by \$14.7 million of E&G funds allocated and restricted for that purpose by the FI State Legislature; (3) E&G carry forward funds were used in part to finance the Provost-VP of Research \$1 million dollar a year Seed grant program; (4) going forward there must be increased emphasis on "prioritizing" and "re-directing" E&G "expenditures everywhere on this campus", while placing greater emphasis on President Cartwright's call that "we need to secure new funding". On February 23, 2022, the Personnel Committee approved and forwarded to Steering a draft resolution on Faculty Involvement in Hiring was postponed until the March meeting of the Personnel Committee.

Research Council

Chair – Linda Walters; Vice Chair – Shawn Burke Request to Speak at Senate/Steering February 2022



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Council asked Office of Research to better define "compliance" when asking us to help improve faculty compliance rates on campus. Considered amendment proposed to Seed Funding resolution.

Graduate Council

Chair − Stacy Barber; Vice Chair − Valeriya Shapoval □ Request to Speak at Senate/Steering

March 2, 2022

The Graduate Policy Committee approved a permanent option for virtual doctoral dissertation defenses. Previously this has been allowed during the pandemic on a temporary basis. The committee will also pursue taking this action for master's theses.

Undergraduate Council

Chair – Jeffrey Kauffman; Vice Chair – Tina Dow

□ Request to Speak at Senate/Steering

February 2022

On Tuesday, 1 February, the UCRC held its monthly meeting. During that time 51 Consent Agenda and 11 Action Agenda items were approved. The UPCC held its monthly meeting Tuesday, 8 February. It approved 18 program/certificate/minor revisions, 1 new certificate, 1 new program, and 1 program termination. We also continued the discussion of an academic archive containing syllabi that students could access as they select courses.

Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee

Chair − William Self □ Request to Speak at Senate/Steering
No update

Ad Hoc Committee on Civil Discourse

Chair – William Self Request to Speak at Senate/Steering No update

Ad Hoc Health and Safety Crisis Response Committee

Chair – Stephen King; Vice Chair – Victoria Loerzel

□ Request to Speak at Senate/Steering

March 1, 2022

The number of COVID cases in central Florida and at UCF are continuing to decline rapidly and may soon approach the lows we had prior to the omicron variant. The campus EICRT committee will be meeting next week and will also be considering the pandemic and the university's response. The Health and Safety committee is cautiously optimistic that we may be able to get closer to "normal" as we look forward into the spring semester.

Ad Hoc Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Committee



Chair – Kristine Shrauger Request to Speak at Senate/Steering No update