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**TO: Faculty Senate Steering Committee**  
**FROM: Faculty Senate Office**  
**DATE: January 24, 1994**  
**SUBJECT: Minutes of Fac. Sen. Steering Meeting of November 16, 1993**

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The meeting was called to order by Dr. Naval Modani, Chair, at 4:05 p.m. The roll was passed. The minutes of October 21, 1993 Steering Committee meeting were approved. Members present were Drs. Armstrong, Cook, Cunningham, Dorner, Hosni, Koons, Leckie, Petrasko, Rungeling, Sepulveda, Sheridan, Taylor, and Wood. Provost Gary Whitehouse and Dr. Frank Juge were also in attendance.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Dr. Modani gave a brief report on the meeting of Faculty Advisory Forum which he attended with the other Faculty Senate Chairs from SUS institutions. The issues discussed included funding for the SUS, library funding, faculty governance, problems related to the Teaching Incentive Program, evaluation of administrators, and role of Faculty Advisory Forum. Chancellor Reed invited the Forum to be proactive and to provide input to him on issues of concern to faculty. The Chancellor stated that faculty salaries and improved undergraduate education are priority items for the BOR. He also stated that the funding request from the BOR to the legislature contains a 10 percent salary increase for faculty and staff as well as 20 million dollars for the Teaching Incentive Program for the 1994-95 year.

Dr. Modani provided an update on UCF Undergraduate Teaching Incentive Program for 1993-94 year. The student credit hour data is close to being in a final form and the candidates for the awards should be identified soon. The Senate Oversight Committee would review the data as soon as it is available. The Florida Supreme Court is expected to rule on the UFF suit in the near future.

The searches for VP Research and Director of Graduate Studies are continuing. The search committee for VP Research is in the process of identifying additional candidates from the pool and will make a recommendation to the Provost. There are 10 candidates for the Director of Graduate Studies. Dr. Whitehouse stated that this is a strong and diverse pool. He views this position as one that would have a rotation of personnel every 3 to 5 years. Because of the delay in the search for VP Research it is important to fill the Director of Graduate Studies position very soon.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Dr. Modani reported that Chancellor Reed considers the Teaching Incentive program a top priority with the legislature and has asked the Faculty Advisory Forum to provide input to him regarding improving the program for the 1994-95 year. The Chair of the Forum has asked the Senate Chairs to consult their colleagues and provide input to him by the third week of December. These would be discussed at a meeting of the Forum in January and recommendations conveyed to the Chancellor. Suggestions were made to solicit input from faculty. Steering Committee members suggested that the

program for next year also include graduate teaching. Other suggestions included inclusion of summer teaching, separate medians for lower division and upper division credit hours, and flexibility at the individual university level.

The next item on the agenda was a Senate resolution to support the efforts of Dr. Hitt and others to get more equitable funding for UCF. A motion was made and seconded to present such a resolution at the Senate meeting on December 2, 1993. The motion carried unanimously. Dr. Modani was asked to prepare a properly worded resolution.

Dr. Modani reported on membership for additional Senate committees. These committees are: GEP Committee, Commencements, Convocations, and Recognitions Committee, University Athletics Committee, Library Advisory Committee, Academic Calendar Committee, Strategic Planning Committee and the Accountability Committee (subcommittee), and the Faculty Rights Committee. Dr. Modani asked if the members agreed with the recommendations. Members indicated their approval. Election results for the University Promotion and Tenure Committee were as follows: Dr. Phillip Taylor (AS), Dr. Michael Taylor (AS), Dr. Brian Rungeling (BA), and Dr. David Cooper (EN). College of Education and College of Health and Public Affairs have not reported on their results.

Dr. Modani said that the open meeting to discuss the Pegasus funding model, recommended at the last Senate meeting, would probably be scheduled in the later part of January. There have been no resolutions sent forward by the Standing Committees.

There was no other business. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.