

**UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA
FACULTY SENATE
MINUTES
of
October 26, 2000**

Dr. Michael Mullens, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. The roll was circulated for signatures. The minutes of September 21, 2000 were unanimously approved. Guests: Drs. William Merck, John Schell, and Dennis Dulniak.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

Dr. Mullens announced that Dr. Ida Cook, Past Chair of the Faculty Senate, attended the ACFS (Advisory Council of Faculty Senates) meeting in Tallahassee on October 19-20, 2000. She will give a report at our next meeting.

Dr. Mullens reminded Senators about the Teachers' Wall of Fame in the new classroom building. Faculty who have received the Excellence in Teaching Award will be permanently recognized. This year the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning will be applying for the Hesburgh Award to recognize their accomplishments. This is a major award, and the FCTL will be drawing on resources from colleges as well as the Faculty Senate to complete their application. (See attachment)

Jerry Klein is looking for research projects and academic programs that can showcase UCF. He is developing a video and articles to place in national newspapers. Any faculty with any interesting facts or stories to offer, please let him know.

Provost Whitehouse announced that the BOR Task Force meeting will be held in Orlando on November 13, 2000. The outcome is very uncertain.

Dr. Jay Corzine reported for Dean Kathryn Seidel on the GEP developments. To facilitate articulation of AS students with selected AS degrees, programs in question will select courses for GEP requirements. It is recognized that after students take additional GEP at UCF they may not have taken exactly our GEP requirements since with their AS courses they may have more or less courses in one of the GEP subcategories. Affected departments will make GEP mirror UCF requirements as closely as possible.

Presentation: "Master Plan for UCF" - Mr. Bill Merck

Mr. Merck reported that the university is experiencing a phenomenal growth period. Several construction projects are under way with more to continue in the future. Five years from now we will be accommodating at least 48,000 students. We now have on campus 30,600 students and 3,000 are on area campuses. The recognition and reputation of UCF is improving. Mr. Merck described and demonstrated on screen the aerial view of the UCF campus.

Mr. Merck stated that since Barnes and Nobel Bookstore opened for UCF, they have reached \$13 million in sales. Barnes and Nobel runs 400 campus bookstores and fifteen have Star Bucks cafes. Presently, UCF's bookstore is third in sales.

UCF has an agreement with Huntington Bank. The Financial Aid students have an opportunity to have their financial aid dollars directly transferred to Huntington Bank. Approximately 20% of financial aid students are taking advantage of this service.

UCF is also working with Marriott Dining Services. The Crossroads Dining Room opened in spring, 2000.

Classroom CL1 is now in use.

The College of Health and Public Affairs will open phase II in Summer 2001.

The new addition to the Engineering building, Phase II, has research and teaching labs, plus rooms for exhibits.

The Student Union is planning another addition, phase IV, and a pedestrian mall will be started within a year.

Construction on the Honors College will begin in January.

A Welcome Center is in the planning stage. Florida Power has been a large donor for this Center. A large auditorium is planned for the Center along with twenty-two admission counselors' offices. UCF tours will be scheduled and start off from the Center.

An annex is scheduled for the Biology Building.

The third parking garage has just been completed. The fourth parking garage will be located on the north side near the UCF Arena and academic buildings in that area. This garage is planned to look like a modern building rather than a garage. There will be a mall leading to the garage.

Central Florida Boulevard will be realigned to handle some of the traffic problems.

There is a Center for Public Safety and Security Building under construction at the Research Park.

New student housing, academic villages, two neighborhood plazas with village concepts, are under construction. Plans for athletics include 18 tennis courts, baseball fields, indoor pitching mounds, etc.

UCF has 90 acres of unused land, and plans are in progress on how to use it to UCF's best advantage.

Mr. Merck completed his presentation with the last title "UCF – Under Construction Forever."

Mr. Merck answered a few questions regarding performing arts (plans are in order for a performing arts center within a few years), traffic problems (plans are in order to work on roadways and create alternative routes – this would not be a low cost solution), master plan on the Web (facilities planning – hot link), need some type of transportation for walking distances between classes, parking, etc. A committee will be set up with faculty, staff, and students to discuss fees for parking garages, etc.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Standing Committee Reports

Budget and Administrative – Dr. Pamela Roush, Interim Chair, reported that the committee is discussing making recommendations for specials within the budget. Regarding faculty contracts: should faculty meet when they are not under contract during summer months, still under discussion.

Graduate Council – Dr. Elizabeth Mustaine, Vice Chair, reported that Dr. Stephen Goodman, Chair, submitted this report of the Graduate Council activities for the Faculty Senate.

- Appeals Committee had no report.

- The Policy and Procedures subcommittee met several times, working primarily on the following issues:
 1. Altering the policy on course credit requirements in doctoral programs (specifically removing language that requires 57 semester hours exclusive of the dissertation). A resolution will be forthcoming to the floor of the Senate, perhaps by the next meeting.
 2. Developing guidelines for the implementation and application of the recently approved resolution (last year), which changed the requirements for full-time status of graduate students.
 3. Designing reporting device to be used in the submission of information pertinent to the status of Graduate Certificate Programs (in conjunction with last year's resolution to sunset inactive certificate programs).
- The Course Review and New Programs subcommittee has met several times and has approved a proposal for the revision to the Educational Leadership Specialist Program, has approved a proposal for a specialty track in Domestic Violence in the Applied Sociology Program, and approved a proposal for a track in Maya Studies in the Liberal Studies Program. The subcommittee has also acted on a variety of graduate course action requests.

Personnel - Dr. Sophia Dziegielewski, Chair, reported that the committee met on October 10th and discussed two issues. The first regarding research enhancement clarification of the role and suggested criteria of the PREP professorship. A subcommittee was appointed for further exploration.

The second issue discussed regarded formal faculty mentoring. Guidelines for this process are needed. Committee members will check with their respective colleges on the current mentoring process in each college. A formal procedure is needed.

Undergraduate Policy and Curriculum Committee – Dr. Ady Milman, Chair, reported that the UPCC approved the revision of the School of Hospitality Management's Program. They approved revisions of Anthropology majors and minors. (The most significant revision reflected a change in a requirement from an overall 2.0 GPA to a grade of "C" or better.)

Dr. Karen Smith's presentation to the UPCC included information on customized course evaluations, teaching portfolios, class observations, and evaluating teaching effectiveness. A subcommittee was formed to research an action plan to evaluate teaching in the tenure process.

Dr. Milman stated that the only major change to the UPCC proposal procedures was for the benefit of the colleges, to change the deadline date from three to two weeks before the next UPCC meeting.

OTHER

Dr. Mullens announced that the November Senate meeting has been canceled, there are no meetings in December, and the next Faculty Senate meeting will be held on January 25, 2001. Steering committee would like to use extra time to complete committee work.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

**Resolution 2000-2001-1
Doctoral Course Requirement Change**

Whereas, research requirements vary across doctoral programs, and

Whereas, current university policy on credit hour requirements affords individual departments little flexibility in designing their programs of doctoral study, and

Whereas, current university policy on credit hour requirements is not consistent with most mature, doctoral granting research institutions,

Be It Resolved, that university course requirements for doctoral programs be amended to read: "The course requirements for a doctoral degree will consist of lectures, seminars, discussions, independent research, and independent study. Each program of study will include a minimum of 72 semester hours of graduate credit beyond the baccalaureate degree, with at least 6 semester hours of course work taken at UCF outside the student's program area. A university-wide minimum of at least 15 hours of dissertation credit is required for all doctoral programs. Specific programs may require more."

**Resolution 2000-2001-2
Faculty Teaching and Learning Evaluation in the Tenure Process**

Be It Resolved that while the current Student Perception of Instruction form will continue to be an instrument for evaluating faculty's teaching and learning effectiveness in the tenure process, this particular instrument should not be an exclusive evaluation instrument. Other instruments should also be used to measure faculty's teaching and learning effectiveness such as peer evaluation, teaching portfolios, etc.

**Resolution 2000-2001-3
Student Perception of Instruction form**

Be It Resolved that the current Student Perception of Instruction form be amended to reflect the variety of instruction delivery formats and methods. The amendments to the form should be made as necessary by the colleges, schools or departments.