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**USF FACULTY SENATE MEETING**  
**April 20, 2016**  
**3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Chamber Room 4200 Marshall Student Center**

1. Call to Order, Review of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes from March 23, 2016 Meeting (action item)
3. Reports by Officers and Council Chairs (10 minutes)
  - a. Standing Council Nominations – Ellis Blanton (action item)
  - b. Senate Officer Results/Call for Nominations – Matthew Knight
  - c. Recommendations from Honors & Awards Council – Melanie Griffin (action item)
  - d. Charge Revisions from Council on Technology for Instruction and Research – Jinwal Umesh (action item)
4. Report from Dr. Paul Sanberg, Vice President, Research and Innovation (40 minutes)
5. Report on Egencia from Assistant Vice President Jennifer Condon (20 minutes)
6. Old Business (10 minutes)
  - a. Global Citizen's Project Update – Karla Davis-Salazar
7. New Business (5 minutes)
  - a. Approval of 2016-2017 Meeting Schedule (action item)
  - b. Call for Nominations for USF System Faculty Council – Matthew Knight (action item)
8. Recognition of Out-Going Senators – Michael Teng (5 minutes)
9. Report from USF System President Judy Genshaft (15 minutes)
10. Report from Provost and Executive Vice President Ralph Wilcox (15 minutes)
11. Report from USF System Faculty Council President Greg Teague (10 minutes)
12. Report from USF United Faculty of Florida President Arthur Shapiro (5 minutes)
13. Other Business from the Floor (5 minutes)

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**USF FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 20, 2016**

President Michael Teng called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes as presented from the March 23, 2016 meeting.

**REPORTS BY OFFICERS AND COUNCIL CHAIRS**

a. Standing Council Nominations – Ellis Blanton

On behalf of the Committee on Committees (COC), Chair Blanton presented a slate of eighteen nominees that had been vetted by the COC and approved by the Senate Executive Committee. The three year terms will begin in the Fall. The slate came to the Faculty Senate with a motion to approve. No discussion was held. The motion unanimously passed.

b. Senate Officer Results/Call for Nominations – Matthew Knight

Secretary Knight announced the following officer nominations for 2016-2017:

President – Michael Teng (MCOM)

Vice President – Jim Garey (CAS)

Secretary – Matthew Knight (LIB)

Sergeant-at-Arms – Scott Rimbey (CAS)

Senator-at-Large – Timothy Boaz (CBCS)

Terms are 1 year, except for the president's which is a 2-year term. In accordance with the *Bylaws*, Secretary Knight asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. A motion was made and seconded to accept this slate of officers for next year as presented. The motion unanimously passed. The officers will assume their duties on August 5, 2016.

c. Recommendations from Honors and Awards Council (HAC) – Melanie Griffin

On behalf of the HAC, Chair Griffin presented 2 recommendations for awards offered under the auspices of the Faculty Senate: (1) Dr. Kailie Shaw for the Distinguished Service Award, and (2) Dr. Jason Rohr for the Jerome Krivanek Distinguished Teacher Award. The recommendations came to the Senate floor with a motion to approve from the HAC, as well as an approval by the Senate Executive Committee. No discussion was held. The motion to accept these recommendations unanimously passed. They will now be forwarded to Provost Ralph Wilcox for review.

d. Charge Revisions from Council on Technology for Instruction and Research (CTIR) – Jinwal Umesh

Upon review of its charge, the CTIR updated the membership section to reflect the current titles of its nonvoting members. The council roster will also be updated in the same manner. The proposed changes were presented to the Faculty Senate by Chair Umesh on behalf of the council. He pointed out that there is no change to the council's representation. The proposed changes were approved by the Senate Executive Committee and came to the Senate with a motion to approve. No discussion was held. The motion unanimously passed.

e. Call for Nominations for USF System Faculty Council – Matthew Knight

Senator Eugene Domack from the College of Marine Science self-nominated to fill the 1 vacancy for the Tampa contingency. There being no nominations offered from the floor, a motion was made and seconded to accept Senator Domack's nomination. The motion unanimously passed. He will assume his duties in August.

**REPORT FROM DR. SUDEEP SARKAR, ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT, RESEARCH AND INNOVATION**

Dr. Sarkar attended today's meeting to provide an update on the Research Strategic Plan prepared by the USF Research Strategic Planning Committee. After reviewing the committee's charge, he presented information on USF's high achieving faculty in the area of honors and awards, the number of issued U.S. patents, start-up companies, license agreements, and postdoctoral appointments. A snapshot of the metrics showed increases in these areas. Three common themes of the Research Strategic Planning Committee are: (1) recognition of USF as a top tier research and innovative university system; (2) convergence in maximizing transdisciplinary collaboration; and (3) impact on translating research into products and processes. He pointed out that USF is 25<sup>th</sup> in the nation among public universities for total research expenditures. Dr. Sarkar explained the performance-reputation (PR) gap which shows USF's research at 35 percent, but its research reputation at 18 percent. This is due to a lack of recognition of USF by its constituencies. He added that if USF achieves better recognition, it will receive more research dollars. The committee also looked at national trends as reported in the 2014 issue of *Convergence*. A set of goals with tactics will be available from the committee later this summer and will be posted on the following website: <http://www.usf.edu/research-innovation/researchers/huron-report.aspx>.

Dr. Sarkar's presentation will be posted to the Faculty Senate website.

**REPORT ON EGENCIA** – Assistant Vice President Jennifer Condon

Before giving her report, the floor was given to Senator Graham Tobin who provided highlighted comments from a faculty survey he conducted on Orbitz for Business. The main question for Ms. Condon was whether or not USF is receiving money for using Orbitz.

Ms. Condon reported that Orbitz for Business has been bought by Expedia, and the new travel management company is called Egencia. The main update at today's meeting was that USF may not go with Egencia due to issues with some of its platforms. The Orbitz contract expires in December, and USF is looking at other travel management companies. Ms. Condon confirmed that USF does not get a kickback from Orbitz. All comments Ms. Condon receives will be presented to USF's leadership.

**OLD BUSINESS**

a. Global Citizen's Project Update – Karla Davis-Salazar

As part of her 2015-2016 progress report on the QEP Global Citizen's Project, Dr. Davis-Salazar introduced Dr. Nicole West as the new assistant director for the project. She then presented a power point that covered the following items: Global FKL (general education; criteria developed

and should be on-line in the fall), Global Pathways (the majors; in the development phase), Global Citizen Award (requirements finalized), Professional Development, Assessment (plan drafted), and an Outline of Goals for 2016-2017. The annual report will be posted on the QEP website. Dr. Davis-Salazar's presentation will be posted on the website for the Faculty Senate.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### a. Approval of 2016-2017 Meeting Schedule – Michael Teng

President Teng presented a draft of the 2016-2017 Faculty Senate/Senate Executive Meeting Schedule. The schedule came to the Senate with a motion to approve from the Senate Executive Committee. No discussion was held. The motion unanimously passed.

## **REPORT FROM USF SYSTEM PRESIDENT JUDY GENSHAFT**

President Genshaft's report consisted of the following items:

- Commencement ceremonies will be held on May 6 and 7. The Morsani College of Medicine will be holding its ceremony on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Senators were thanked for recommending the six candidates for honorary degrees. It was very much appreciated.
- The President's Fellow Medallion will be presented to Dr. Ernest Boger who was the first African-American to attend the SUS of Florida.
- Mr. Joe Negron, in-coming president of the Florida Senate, visited USF as part of his destination tour.

## **REPORT FROM PROVOST AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT RALPH WILCOX**

Provost Wilcox offered the following comments and announcements:

- During a visit with the General Education Council, Provost Wilcox stressed that the GEC needs to be mindful of the state performance-based funding metrics. At today's meeting, he welcomed input from faculty on how to keep communication going about performance-based funding.
- New leadership appointments: (1) a new director of the Florida Institute of Oceanography, (2) Dr. Roger Brindley will be appointed as Vice President for USF World beginning in July, and (3) Mr. Todd Chavez will be appointed as permanent dean of the USF Libraries.
- During the past year there have been conversations about more effectively aligning Undergraduate Studies, Students Affairs, and Enrollment Planning and Management into a unified organization focused on enhancing student success. This is driven in large part by strategic priorities. Based upon conversations with these constituent groups, there will be a strategically driven, well-articulated organizational transition to advantage our students and university moving

forward. It is expected that this complex organization will be unveiled before the end of the semester. It will be brought to the Faculty Senate in the future.

- Senators were thanked for their continued support to the leadership at USF.

#### **REPORT FROM USF SYSTEM FACULTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT GREG TEAGUE**

President Teague reported that at its April 21<sup>st</sup> meeting the SFC received an update on the RCM planning process. The decision was made to implement the RCM in a limited way. The revenue distribution model will not be implemented. The same planning committee will continue. Due to time limitations, the SFC will ask the Senate Executive Committee to act on behalf of the Senate to appoint members to the RCM committee. People interested in serving, or who would like to recommend others to serve, should contact President Teng before the May 4<sup>th</sup> Senate Executive Committee meeting.

#### **REPORT FROM USF UNITED FACULTY OF FLORIDA PRESIDENT ARTHUR SHAPIRO**

President Shapiro announced that the union continues to negotiate and hopes to have a contract shortly.

#### **RECOGNITION OF OUT-GOING SENATORS – Michael Teng**

At this time, President Teng distributed certificates of appreciation to the following Senators:

Marilyn Bertch (2011-2016)  
Ellis Blanton (205-2016; COC Chair 2014-2016)  
Emanuel Donchin (2013-2016)  
Stefan Frisch (2013-2016)  
Srinivas Katkoori (2010-2016)  
Steve Mlynarek (2013-2016)  
Nan Sook Park (2013-2016)  
Kristin Arnold Ruyle (2015-2016)  
Emily Shaffer-Hudkins (2015-2016)  
Ryan Toomey (2015-2016)  
Jing Wang (2013-2016)  
Ali Yalcin (2014-2016)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:07 p.m.