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USF FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA
January 13, 2016
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Student Services (SVC) 5012

1. Call to Order, Review of Agenda (5 minutes)

2. Approval of Minutes from December 2, 2015 Meeting (2 minutes) (action item)

3. Reports by Officers and Council/Committee Chairs (30 minutes)
   a. Review and Approval of Election Documents – Matt Knight (action item)
   b. New Library Council Chair – Jenifer Schneider
   c. Update on FCSA – Ellis Blanton

4. Old Business
   a. Vice President Nominations – Mike Teng (5 minutes)

5. New Business

6. Report from Provost and Executive Vice President Ralph Wilcox (30 minutes)

7. Report from USF System Faculty Council President Greg Teague (10 minutes)

8. Other Business from the Floor (5 minutes)

Present: Ellis Blanton, Tim Boaz, Melanie Griffin, Umesh Jinwal, Russell Kirby, Matthew Knight, Ivan Oleynik, Judith Ponticell, Scott Rimbey, Jenifer Schneider, Drew Smith, Greg Teague, Michael Teng

Provost’s Office: Paul Dosal, Dwayne Smith, Ralph Wilcox

Guests: Annette Christy, Nancy Cunningham

President Michael Teng called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to accept the minutes from the November 3 meeting as amended.

REPORTS BY OFFICERS AND COUNCIL/COMMITTEE CHAIRS

a. Review and Approval of Election Documents – Matthew Knight

Secretary Knight presented the 2016/2017 Senate election documents which consisted of the schedule, voting units and apportionment, and nomination form. A motion was made and seconded to accept the documents. The floor was opened for discussion. Secretary Knight explained that by using Hamilton’s Method the extra seat, which rounds out the apportionment to 60, goes to the College of Public Health and not the School of Pharmacy. A revised apportionment to include the third decimal point will be presented to the Faculty Senate on January 27th. With this clarification, the motion to approve the election documents was unanimously passed.

b. New Library Council Chair – Jenifer Schneider

Chair Schneider announced that she is going to Ireland on a Fulbright for the remainder of the semester, and Dr. Annette Christy will be taking over as council chair.

c. Update on FCSA – Ellis Blanton

COC Chair Blanton announced that the FCSA (Faculty Council on Student Admissions) is being reconstituted. Eight of the 10 faculty positions have been filled, and he will work with Student Government to find 2 student representatives. In addition, Chair Blanton is looking into the process to identify 2 voting administrators and 3 ex-officio members. He anticipates scheduling the first meeting of the newly reconstituted council the week after Spring Break at which time a chair will be elected.
d. **Research Council Update** – Ivan Oleynik

Chair Oleynik reported that at a recent meeting with Dr. Paul Sanberg, Vice President of Research and Innovation, he was informed that the internal grants program will be kept. Another meeting with Dr. Sanberg is scheduled for April 18th. The SEC discussed the future role of the Research Council (RC) within the new structuring with the following outcomes:

- Greg Teague, President of the USF System Faculty Council, will find out who from the Faculty Senate is/will be a member of the Research Implementation Committee (RIC).
- Greg and Michael will meet to discuss a system to track the workings of the research committees.
- Dr. Sanberg will be invited back to a Faculty Senate meeting to answer specific questions about where he thinks the process is headed.
- Mike will meet with Dr. Edmund Funai, Co-Chair of the Research Strategic Planning Committee, and report back to the SEC.
- Nick Setteducato and Nick Trivunovich will be invited to an SEC meeting to have a more in-depth discussion of the Huron Report.
- Provost Wilcox and Greg will consult with both Nick Setteducato and Nick Trivunovich about having an observer at the meetings of the research committees to provide reports to the SEC and Senate.


e. **Honors and Awards Council Update** – Melanie Griffin

Chair Griffin reported that the online FAQs will be ready by the end of the year.

**OLD BUSINESS**

a. **Vice President Nominations** – Michael Teng

President Teng reported that there were no nominations received in response to a solicitation sent to Senators. At this time, Senator James Garey is the only nominee. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the January Senate meeting. An election using paper ballots will be held at the meeting if needed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Constitution** – Dwayne Smith

Senior Vice Provost Dwayne Smith reported that President Genshaft will approve the revised Constitution by the end of the week, and it will be forwarded to President Teng.

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

Provost Wilcox provided the following updates on USF’s Legislative priorities during this year’s session:
continued funding of the downtown Morsani College of Medicine and Heart Institute;
- half of the funding of the original request to replace the coastal research vessel;
- a request of 100 million dollars for another round of performance-based funding;
- support of legislation to create a new category of emerging pre-eminence;
- a third round of funding for the Florida Center for Cybersecurity;
- funding to provide infrastructure to support new faculty hiring in the STEM area (system-wide); and,
- a request to fund the Florida Metro University Consortium.

REPORT FROM VICE PROVOST PAUL DOSAL

Dr. Dosal distributed copies and reviewed highlights of the first-day enrollment e-profiles for the spring semester for the USF System and Tampa. In addition, he distributed copies of the publication “Building Success: Five Years of Progress” which graphically summarizes gains made in student success over the last 5 years.

At this time, Provost Wilcox distributed copies and reviewed USF Student Access Trends, 2000/01-2015/16 and an analysis of Fall 2014 Faculty Diversity-USF vs. Peer Groups.

REPORT FROM USF SYSTEM FACULTY COUNCIL PRESIDENT GREG TEAGUE

President Teague’s report consisted of the following items from the council’s November meeting:
- No changes have been made to the self-authored textbook policy, but it will be taken up at the next meeting.
- Vice President Tricia Hunsader expressed concern that Sarasota/Manatee students enrolled in the College of Hospitality and Hotel Management are not eligible to participate in college life here because they are not USF Tampa students. Provost Wilcox recommended that she review the MOU that addresses this issue which was signed by both institutions. Dr. Teague will share this information with her.

Issues from the ACFS (Advisory Council of Faculty Senates) Meeting
- Chancellor Marshall Criser addressed performance measures; i.e., salary and employment. He is interested in visiting each of the campuses. Dr. Teague suggested that Chancellor Criser be invited to attend a Faculty Senate meeting. Provost Wilcox will discuss this with President Genshaft. The Chancellor also supports the emerging pre-eminence status.
- Canvas was determined the best of the learning management systems.
- A report on the gun issue was given by a representative from the University of Northern Florida.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.