

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2017 (2pm – 4pm)
BOT Conference Room

Members Present: Kevin Wagner, Bruce Arneklev, Chris Beetle, Kim Dunn, Michael Harris, Meredith Mountford, and Paul Peluso.

Guests: Ed Pratt, Gary Perry, and Ron Nyhan.

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Chair, Dr. Kevin Wagner.
2. The UFS Steering minutes from [October 5, 2017](#) were approved by the committee, with the amendment of taking Paul Peluso off of the attendance sheet.

3. **President's Report:**
 - a. Dr. Kevin Wagner announces that the Book Committee has been formed and will meet on November 7th to discuss the memorandum and give advice to the Provost. Send any recommendations to Dr. Wagner or Michael Turtz.
 - b. President Kelly will be the guest speaker at the December Senate meeting. Vice President Jeff Atwater will be the guest speaker at the January Senate meeting and will speak about the university budget and strategic planning. In addition, Head Football Coach Lane Kiffin will be the guest speaker during one of the spring semester Senate meetings.

4. [UPC Consent Agenda](#)
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

5. [UPC Action Agenda](#)
 - a. Undergraduate Studies
 - *75 Percent Rules*
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

 - b. College of Arts and Letters
 - *Certificate Programs*
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
 - *Certificate Program in Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies*
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

 - c. College of Science
 - *BA/BS in Geology and BA/BS in Geography becoming BA/BS in Geosciences*
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

6. [UGC Consent Agenda](#)
 - Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

7. [UGC Action Items](#)
 - a. College for Design and Social Inquiry
 - *Doctor of Social Work (Spring 2018)*

- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**
- *Doctor of Social Work (Fall 2018)*
- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

8. Business Items

1. [Academic Calendar Change](#)

- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

2. [ASL Classes](#)

- Motion to approve. No objections from Senate. **Approved by majority vote.**

9. Open forum with the Provost

- Provost Perry announces that he was at the University of South Florida workshop yesterday with the Chancellor and leadership discussing block tuition and the 4-year graduation rate.
- Next, two Deans are leaving next year – Dean Marlaine Smith and Dean Valerie Bristor. FAU will be using Witt/Kieffer for the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing and the College of Education national searches.
- Dean Ed Pratt discusses the user role in Canvas for Academic Advisors. Dean Pratt proposes to give the user role on Canvas to the Director of the Student-Athlete Center. The advisor can only be given access to their particular student in that semester. All Faculty members have the option of opting out. **Dr. Kevin Wagner asked Dean Ed Pratt to discuss this proposal at Senate.**
- Finally, Dean Pratt discusses that civics literacy is in discussion across the State of Florida University System. U.S. Government and U.S. History since 1877 are the two courses that meet this requirement.

10. Good of the Steering Committee

- a. Dr. Wagner announces that he has written a draft for Senate Guidelines and will circulate the draft.
- b. Dr. Wagner gives his best wishes to Michael Turtz.
- c. Dr. Kim Dunn asks if anyone has any recommendations for the Catalogue Review, please send the recommendations to her.
- d. Dr. Dunn announces the following sporting events for Friday – Women’s Volleyball at 12pm, Women’s Soccer Semi-Finals Match at 1:30pm, and Football at 6pm.

11. Meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.