

**Florida Gulf Coast University  
Faculty Senate Meeting  
Minutes of 9/18/2009  
Student Union Chambers**

**DATE:** September 18, 2009 **TIME:** 9:30 - 11:30AM **PLACE:** SU Chambers

**Attendance:**

Alexakis, George; Anstadt, Scott; Elliott, Beth; Everham, Win; Fauerbach, Michael; Fay, Patricia; Gilbert, Shelby; Greene, Patrick; Hale, Katherine; Hamerling, Julie; Hibbard, Susan; Kakareka, Joseph; Kleeger, Jeff; Lindsey, Chuck; Lupe, Lori; McShane, Megan; Mock, Karen; Morris, Doug; Oistad, Kay; Osterman Meyer, Angela; Paine, Morgan; Paschall, Mack; Renard, Monika; Roca, Maria; Rosenthal, Martha; Swaleheen, Mushfiq; Towne, Amy; van Duijn, Arie; Villiers, Claude

**Absent with Alternate (Alternate Senators):**

Kauanui, Sandra (Julie Yazici); Zhao, Fan (Darlene Andert)

**Absent with Proxy:**

Hammerling, Julie; Pavelka, Sandra

**Absent without Alternate or Proxy:**

**Guests:**

Cornelius, Lori; Duff, Cathy; Rogers, Hudson; Smith, Howard; Snyder, Paul

**I. Gathering: 9:30 AM**

**A. Welcome & Introductions – *Chuck Lindsey***

**II. Approval of Minutes - 9/4/09 approved with corrections amended. One abstention.**

**III. University Update – *President Bradshaw is ill and his report is deferred to a future meeting.***

**IV. Standing Reports**

**A. Provost's Report – *Ron Toll out covering for President Bradshaw.***

- On behalf of Provost Toll, Paul Snyder reminded all about the email going out to all faculty and staff regarding the Planning & Budget Council open forums being held Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>. Information on times and locations are in the email and more information is posted on the provost website at <http://www.fgcu.edu/Provost/SP2010/index.html>.

**B. SGA Report – *Peter Ryther was not present.***

**C. UFF Report – *Monika Renard***

- Results of the survey taken last spring are posted at [www.UFF.fgcu.org](http://www.UFF.fgcu.org)
- Next membership luncheon will be on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Bargaining discussions still going on with a topic on changing benefits provisions to reflect law changes in retirement issues.

- Next Bargaining meeting is Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>. Faculty are all welcome.
- UFF is representing some faculty who are facing non-renewal and PIP (Performance Improvement Plan) issues. According to UFF policy, it can only represent those that are members.

#### **F. Senate President's Report – *Chuck Lindsey***

- Chuck attended a Board of Trustees meeting on behalf of the Senate.
- Received an update on the Operating Budget and that there will be a meeting of the (statewide) Faculty Senate Advisory Council in Tampa on Friday, 9/25, to discuss common concerns across the State University systems. Chuck will compose a draft of the status report and share with all for additional input if necessary.
- Monday, 9/21, will be a day-long teleconference to kick-off the certification for the NCAA, Division I, for the University. This is similar to the SACS accreditation whereby we have to do a self-study and reports to meet the criteria. There will be a committee working on that and the report is due in April. Athletic Director, Ken Kavanagh and Faculty Athletic Representative, Cecil Carter will attend a later Senate meeting to further discuss the need for connection between faculty, athletes and the athletic department.
- There are 3 vacancies on current committees. One each on the Enrollment Retention Council and Environmental Sustainability Council and one on the Planning & Budget Council. These committee members are appointed by the President but you can forward your name or the name of anyone who may be interested to Chuck via email. These are one-year appointments.
- Regarding the Consensual Relationships Policy draft, all concerns and suggestions made and sent to Chuck were compiled and sent in a document to Cheryl Seals-Gonzalez and the administration. This Policy is on the Agenda for the Presidents' cabinet meeting on Tuesday.
- Conference for Civic Engagement is Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. For that reason, the senate meeting will begin at 9 a.m. (until 10:30 a.m.).

#### **V. Old Business**

- A.** Motion to approve the action item, the Professional Development Fund grant guideline draft.
  - Discussion opened with comments about some troubling language still on the draft. A friendly amendment proposed and accepted to delete the line “eligible for Senate membership” on page 1. This will allow all in-unit faculty, including instructors to apply for PDF funds.
  - A friendly amendment was proposed and accepted to change {the last} “years” to “pages” on page 3.
  - It was noted that the application can only be submitted in a single pdf file so that the file cannot be changed or manipulated in any way.
  - Guidelines were approved by vote of a show of hands.

#### **VI. New Business**

- A.** Faculty governance and relationship with Planning & Budget Council
  - P&B council has 6 committees with faculty representation while Senate has 11 committees and the opportunity for Academic Affairs representation. The goal and focus is to have the two groups communicate more effectively with one another and to avoid overlap of issues.
  - A motion was passed, after a motion to suspend the rules to allow the vote on the motion, to form an Ad-Hoc group to evaluate and review the mission and charter of each. The Ad-Hoc group should be comprised of about 3-5 senators. If no volunteers, members can be appointed by the Leadership.

**B. Appointment of Faculty to University Committees – *Chuck Lindsey***

- In the short-term, Chuck will send out an email to all regarding vacancies that need to be filled.

**VII. Announcements**

- A. Livin' La Vida Local will be held Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. This is made possible through a Florida Compact grant to host local organizations and the local community to enhance and embrace the vision of Service Learning and will also give the opportunity to hold public forums with the Dean's of all colleges.

**VIII. Adjournment 10:38 a.m.**