

Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
October 27, 2015
BOT Conference Room, 2pm-4pm

Members Present: Chris Beetle, Ron Nyhan, Mary Schoorman, Mike Harris, Morton Levitt, Susan Dyess, Kevin Wagner, and Meredith Mountford

Guests: Ed Pratt, Deborah Floy, Susan Fulks, Paul Peluso, Russell Depra Szabo, Steven Bourassa, Bill McDaniel, Diane Alperin, Gary Perry, Michael Brady, Ethlyn Williams, Fred Bloetschen, Susan Bulfin, Zhixiao Xie, Kathryn Johnston, Desmond Gallant, and Michele Hawkins

1. The meeting was called to order at 2pm by Chair, Dr. Chris Beetle
2. The UFS Steering minutes from September 29, 2015 were approved with no objections from the committee.
3. President's Report:
 - a. Dr. Chris Beetle postpones welcome of Meredith Mountford to the Steering Committee as the newly elected member.
 - b. Dr. Donna Chamey Wiik will be speaking at the November 6th Senate meeting. She will be discussing recent developments in undergraduate research. One of the things she might also discuss is the recent initiative to incorporate undergraduate research intensive courses.
 - c. Upon Dr. Mountford's arrival, Dr. Beetle welcomes her to the Steering Committee and thanks her for stepping in.
 - d. Dr. Beetle gives an update on the committees. There are still two vacancies for the Community Engagement Committee; College of Science and College of Medicine. Dr. Beetle will follow up with Mary Cameron regarding the Distance Education Committee; last update, there was one vacancy remaining.
 - e. Dr. Beetle gives update on SPE policy. The committee has met once to begin discussing the policy. There is another meeting in the offing to begin drafting a new version. Dr. Kevin Wagner asks if the meetings are open to the public for faculty to attend and observe the deliberations. Dr. Beetle does not believe they are. He will ask the Provost to take that under advisement.
4. UPC Consent Agenda no objections from Steering; the consent agenda is approved by majority vote.
5. UPC Action Agenda
 - a. College of Business
 - x Finance Major
 - o Dr. Morton Levitt could not find list referring to the changes. Dr. Beetle pointed out the tables that show the changes.

- o Dr. Susan Dyess motions to move forward to Senate with a positive recommendation from Steering. All in favor. Motion carries
- xManagement Major
- o Dr. Kevin Wagner confirms the changes in red are the only changes. Ethlyn Williams confirms that the changes solidated two lists into just one.
 - o Hearing no objections, Dr. Beetle calls for a vote, all in favor, motion passes

6. UGC Consent Agenda no objections from Steering; the consent agenda is approved by majority vote.

7. UGC Action Items

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a jobmaking a minimum salary of \$200. Dr. Perry then goes on to say that they will be introducing tie breakers. Another metric that might be introduced is the measurement of graduation rate of transfer students. There is discussion on the potential metrics and how FAU would fair out in these areas.

- d. Dr. Meredith Mountford brings up an article she read about the metrics system across the country and states starting to back out of it. Dr. Perry believes it is the opposite. Dr. Mountford will look for the article and send.
- e. Dr. Wagner asks the Provost how we are doing with increased admission requirements so far. Dr. Perry thinks we are at about four thousand applications with an average GPA of 4.2. This doesn't mean we will get those students. Dr. Perry says it's going to be a challenge to make the freshmen class what we want it to be. Dr. Perry is positive about the outlook of the freshmen class.

10. Good of the Steering Committee

- a. None

Meeting adjourned at 245 p.m.