Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes October 4, 2023

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was held on October 4, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. in the Chao Auditorium in Ekstrom Library and online on the TEAMS Platform, Chair Eugene Mueller presiding.

#### **SENATORS REGISTERING ATTENDANCE**

A&S: Michael Cunningham, Bonnie Fonseca-Greber, Karen Hadley, Eugene Mueller, Rachel Neal, Natalie Polzer, Christopher Tillquist, Sherri Wallace, Gerard Willger BUSINESS: Jose Fernandez, Ben Foster, Kathllen Gosser, Dale McIntosh DENTISTRY: Tiffany McPheeters, Justin Whitney, Jolene Zirnheld EDUCATION: Cesar Barrabi, Meg Hancock, Ann Herd, Carla Vidoni KENT: Shantel Crosby, Martin Hall, Andrew Winters LAW: Daniel Canon, Enid Trucios-Haynes LIBRARIES: Tiffney Gipson-Goodwin MEDICINE: Forest Arnold, Matthew Black, Geoffrey Clark, Patrick Harris, Lauren Herrmann, Saeed Jortani, Ben Schoenbachler MUSIC: Amy Acklin, Allison Ogden NURSING: Lynette Galloway, Frances Hardin-Fanning, Amy Higdon PART-TIME FACULTY: Aaron Ellis, Roy Fuller, Joseph Gutmann, Tina Johnson, Ramie Martin-Galijatovic, Tim Roberts PUBLIC HEALTH: Lee Bewley, Jelani Kerr, Kira Taylor SPEED: Roger Bradshaw, Adrian Lauf, Olfa Nasraoui

#### **GUESTS ATTENDING**

**UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:** Dr. Kim Schatzel **DEAN ARTS & SCIENCES:** Dr. Dayna Touron

PROVOST OFFICE: Dr. Gail DePuy

**VP-ONLINE STRATEGY & TEACHING INNOVATION**: Dr. Kelvin Thompson **UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES:** Ms. Dani LaPreze, Professor Tessa Withorn

AVP-RESEARCH & INNOVATION: Dr. Cynthia Logsdon

**CENTER for MILITARY-CONNECTED STUDENTS:** Mr. Dakota Walker **FACULTY ATHLETIC REPRESENTATIVE:** Dr. Krista Wallace-Boaz

STAFF SENATE REPRESENTATIVE: Ms. Becky Patterson

VP-FACULTY AFFAIRS: Dr. Cherie Dawson

**ULARP:** Ms. Elaine Wise

UofL Today: Mr. Chris Wooton

## **ALSO ATTENDING**

Fannie Cox, John Drees, Linda Fuselier, Erin Gerber, Savannah Hart, Chin Ng, Whitney Sweeney-Martin, Alexandria Underwood

## **SENATORS NOT REGISTERING ATTENDANCE**

**A&S:** Xiang Zhang **DENTISTRY:** James Harrison **LAW:** Lisa Nicholson **LIBRARIES:** Angel Clemons, Rachel Howard **MEDICINE:** Joshua Choo, Barbara Clark, Jennifer Hamm, Guillermo Rougier, Scott Silva, Hugh Shoff, Victoria Statler, Jonathan Warawa, Alex Williams, Brian Williams **MUSIC:** Chad Sloan **SPEED:** Thomas Berfield

## ACTION ITEM: Approval of the September Minutes - Mueller

The September meeting minutes are linked above and were approved.

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#### **REPORT: University President - Schatzel**

Dr. Schatzel reported that the 2023 fall enrollment was the highest in university history. The eight priorities she described in her <u>talk on September 8th</u> have been assigned to an executive vice president or another of the vice presidents for implementation. Dr. Schatzel then addressed the Supreme Court decision impacting college admissions. The exception to the ruling was that admissions can be based on experiences with race. Dr. Schatzel said she is committed to the university's admission policies.

#### **INTRODUCTION: A&S Dean - Touron**

Dean Dayna Touron was introduced and gave a briefly recounted her background and journey to Dean of Arts & Sciences at UofL. She is conducting weekly listening sessions across the various departments in A&S. Dean Touron estimates that it will take the full academic year to be able to meet everyone, listen, and integrate the information she gathers.

## REPORT: Provost's Office - DePuy

Dr. DePuy reported that information should be going out soon regarding the Faculty Compensation Study. There are many student success initiatives currently underway, and she would welcome the opportunity to discuss them further with the Faculty Senate.

#### **REPORT: Staff Senate – Patterson**

This report is online and linked above.

#### **REPORT: Faculty Senate Chair - Mueller**

Chair Mueller reported that on meetings of the University Budget Steering Committee and the search committee for the Chief Information Officer.

#### **UPDATE: Online Strategy & Teaching Innovation - Thompson**

Dr. Thompson reported on the upgrade to Blackboard Ultra Course View that is taking place over five semesters, from summer 2023 to fall 2024.

### **REPORT: Faculty Grievance Officer (FGO) - Trucios-Haynes**

Professor Trucios-Haynes said that compared to her prior tenure as FGO, things are not as busy with grievance filings or consultations, which may reflect the success of the Ombuds-assisted informal dispute resolutions. The FGO report is online and linked above.

## <u>UPDATE: Open Scholarship - LaPreze/Logsdon/Withorn</u>

Members of the Open Scholarship Task Force were charged by EVPRI Dr. Kevin Gardner to look at the overall Open Scholarship landscape. Open Scholarship encompasses several areas, but this presentation focus on Open Access, the dissemination of research. This presentation is online and linked above.

#### INFORMATION ITEM: First Reading – REDBOOK Changes to Chapter 3 - Winters

As this was the first reading, there was no discussion. The proposed changes are linked above.

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#### ACTION ITEM: Second Reading - REDBOOK Changes to Chapter 4 - Winters

A brief discussion was held on the changes to The REDBOOK Chapter 4. Senator Enid Trucios-Haynes made a motion to amend the changes to include "...research, scholarship, and/or other creative activity" throughout the chapter to align with the university's mission statement. The motion carried, and the amended changes to the REDBOOK Chapter 4 were approved.

## ACTION ITEM: Second Reading - Revised Law School Bylaws Redlined/Clean - Winters

The revised Law School bylaws are linked above and were approved.

## **REPORT: Center for Military-Connected Students - Walker**

Mr. Dakota Walker, the Assistant Director of the center reported on the work to connect with military students at UofL. The presentation is linked above.

### **REPORTS: Standing Committees**

- Academic Programs Ng
  - This report is online and linked above.
- Committee on Committees & Credentials Gosser
  - This committee had no report.
- Executive Committee Wallace
  - This report is online and linked above.
- Part-time Faculty Fuller
  - This committee is working on a survey of the part-time faculty.
- Planning & Budget Harris
  - o This report is online and linked above.
- REDBOOK & Bylaws Winters
  - This report is online and linked above.

## **OTHER REPORTS**

- AAUP Representative Cunningham
  - Senator Cunningham clarified the distinctions between AAUP and the United Campus Workers.
- COSW Representative Nasraoui
  - o This report is online and linked above.
- Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) Wallace-Boaz
  - o This report is online and linked above.
- Sustainability Council Tillquist
  - This report is online and linked above.
- ULARP Representative Wise
  - This report is online and linked above.

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

Senator Dale McIntosh (CoB) made a motion to have vote counts included in the election results made available to the full Senate. By voice vote, the matter was referred to the Committee on Committees & Credentials to consider and develop a recommendation for the full Faculty Senate.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Astronomy on Tap** Tonight at 7PM at Monnik Beer Company, 1036 E. Burnett Street, Dr. Tim Dowling will give a presentation on interplanetary exploration. All are welcome.
- **Eclipses Presentation** On October 5<sup>th</sup> in Humanities Room 100 at 5 p.m., Senator Gerry Williger (A&S) and Dr. Brady Smith will present on the two upcoming eclipses.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 PM

Respectfully submitted. Gretchen Henry Senate Coordinator