

FACULTY SENATE

"The Faculty Senate shall be the representative body of the faculty, deriving its authority from the faculty as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Its primary function shall be to serve as the agency by which the faculty can actively participate in the governance and policy-making decisions of the University on the basis of the principle of shared authority." (Faculty Senate Constitution, Section I)

President's Report to the Faculty Senate - September 10, 2014

- 1. Welcome and acknowledgments
- 2. AY 15 themes for the Faculty Senate, proposed by the Executive Committee:
 - a. Promote and support the strategic vision of the University.
 - Build a stronger working relationship with administration, grounded in the principles of shared governance.
 - c. Advocate the support of University leadership for increased opportunities and fiscal resources for faculty scholarship and research.
 - d. Work to ensure the academic integrity of the Institution in supporting academic excellence and advancing the success of our students.
 - e. Honor the commitment and enthusiasm of the faculty through a strengthened sense of community.
- 3. Travel allowance for AY 15 announced by Provost Bergeron: FT: \$1,200; PT: \$700.
- 4. Faculty Creative Activity Research Grants
 - a. Announcement distributed to all Instructional Faculty, Monday, September 1, 2014
 - b. Announcement and guidelines posted on FS website
 - c. Encourage participation among the faculty
- 5. Faculty Senate representative to the Master Facilities Planning Committee: 7 self-nominees. The Executive Committee requests authorization from the Senate to select a representative from the following list: Corinne Blackmer, James Dolan, Jess Gregory, John Kavanagh, Vara Neverow, Lisa Rebeschi and Matt Rothbard.
- 6. We now have a parliamentarian: Dr. Luke Eilderts
- 7. Upcoming events Senators should be sure to attend—with their constituents:
 - Town Hall Meeting on Transform 2020 Friday, September 12, 1:00-3:00 PM, ASC Ballroom
 - Pres. Papazian's State of the Univ. Address Wednesday, September 17, 1:00-2:00 PM Ballroom
 - Graduate Program Prioritization Town Hall Meeting Friday, September 19, 1:00-3:00 PM
- 8. Invited speakers:
 - September 10: President Mary Papazian
 - September 24: Provost Bette Bergeron
 - October 8: Giovanni D'Onofrio, President, Administrative Faculty Senate; Dr. Tracy
 Tyree, Vice President for Student Affairs, & Catherine Christy, Director, Women's Center

- Leadership breakfasts: President Papazian has invited the Executive Committees of the Faculty Senate and the Administrative Faculty Senate and the executive officers of campus unions to a monthly breakfast.
- 10. Tentative Faculty Senate Committee assignments to begin this academic year:

Academic Policy Committee

- Grade Appeals document: presenting for approval the role of Deans developed last year
- Grade Appeals document: seeking a way to accelerate the process
- Establishing appropriate course schedule, cap and cancelation policies

Elections Committee

- Conducting special elections
- Consulting with Rules Committee on streamlining campus committees

Executive Committee

- Planning University Dialogues and Faculty Forums
- Promoting collaboration with sister CSUs

Finance Committee

- Monitoring faculty travel funds
- Exploring Faculty Creative Activity Research Grants models

Personal Policy Committee

- Conducting Faculty Opinion Survey
- Advocating the expansion of support for grant acquisition and administration

Rules Committee

- Working with Administration to clarify and refine Chairs Document proposal
- Developing plan to streamline campus committees
- Considering additional official Senate Observers (CAC and AAUP) to complement UCF and GC

Student Policy Committee

- Coordinating Faculty Senate involvement in supporting sexual misconduct policy
- Strengthening and maintaining liaison with SGA and GSAC

Technology Committee

- Assessing faculty needs
- Evaluating and upgrading Faculty Senate web pages

Ad hoc Parking Committee

- Improving parking conditions on campus
- 11. Other items for Faculty Senate attention:
 - a. Status of Department Guidelines for faculty evaluation
 - b. Effect of budget crisis on course schedule (sections, caps, independent studies)
 - c. Effect on the University of moving any program off campus
 - d. Forthcoming recommendations from Graduate Program Prioritization process
 - e. Need for more robust support for external grants and contracts
- 12. Appeal to Senate Committees regarding the completion of tasks

13. New Administration appointees welcomed by the Faculty Senate:

New Administration Appointments (Welcomes/Congratulations from Faculty Senate sent to all)
Dr. Bette Bergeron, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Sandra Bulmer, Interim Dean of the School of Health and Human Services
Mr. Ian Canning, Director of Special Academic Programs and Sessions
Dr. Christopher Catching, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs/ Student Success Programs
Dr. Erin Heidkamp, Director, Office of International Education
Dr. Stephen Hegedus, Dean of the School of Education
Mr. Jay Moran, Director of Athletics
Dr. Gregory Paveza, Dean of the School of Graduate Studies
Mr. Dennis Reiman, Associate Chief Information Officer
Dr. Robert Rennie, Chief Information Officer
Dr. Richard Riccardi, Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness
Dr. Yan Searcy, Associate Dean, School of Health and Human Services
Dr. Jules Tetreault, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
Searches
Vice President for Finance and Administration (underway)
Dean of the School of Health and Human Services (to be done in AY 16 for appointment in AY 17)

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AY 14 Faculty Senate Resolutions						
Number	Date	Resolution to/on/for	For	Disposition	Pres.' Comments (abbrev.)	
S-14-15R	6-12-14	Revise the Faculty Senate Department Chairpersonship Document [Resubmission]	Approval	Disapproved	Requires further discussion among FS, President & Provost	
S-14-21R	6-4-14	Student Study Rooms and Library Space at Buley Library [Resubmission]	Approval	Disapproved	The FS input is acknowledged	
S-14-21	4-30-14	Student Study Rooms and Library Space at Buley Library	Information	Disapproved	Not approp. <u>INFO</u> item: involves adm. action on facility usage.	
S-14-20	4-30-14	UCF Pilot Streamlining	Approval	Approved		
S-14-19	4-30-14	Proposed Moving of the School of Health and Human Services to a Remote Campus	Approval	Disapproved	"The admin. and I will continue to actively seek faculty input regarding all decisions affecting faculty and the Univ. in general."	
S-14-18	4-30-14	Support Student Success Task Force Report: UCF Steering Committee and LEP Director Feedback	Information	Noted		
S-14-17	4-30-14	Faculty Parking at SCSU	Approval	Disapproved		
S-14-16	4-30-14	Accept The Student Opinion Survey Currently in Use as the Default Instrument that May Be Adopted by Departments	Approval	Approved	-	
S-14-15	4-30-14	Revise the Faculty Senate Department Chairpersonship Document	Approval	Disapproved	Pres. requests FS forward doc. describing changes to orig. doc. plus rationale for changes	
S-14-14	8-20-14*	Improve Access to Information about the Report of Sexual Harassment and/or Sexual Assault (Approved by FS 3-26-14; transmitted to President 8-21-14)	Approval	Pending		
S-14-13	4-30-14	Incrementally Increase Faculty Creative Activity Research Grant Funds, 2014-2015	Approval	Disapproved	[same as for S-14-07]	
S-14-12	4-30-14	Restore Faculty Creative Activity Research Grant Funds, 2014-2015	Approval	Disapproved	[same as for S-14-07]	
S-14-11	4-30-14	Restore Original Implementation Plan for Faculty Creative Activity Travel Funds, 2014-2015	Approval	Disapproved	[same as for S-14-07]	
S-14-10	4-30-14	Change Language for Promotion & Tenure Candidate Recommendations	Approval	Approved		
S-14-09	4-28-14	Alter recommendation language in Promotion and Tenure Committee's decision letters	Approval	Approved		
S-14-08	4-28-14	Correct Internal Contradiction in Graduate Council By-laws	Approval	Approved		
S-14-07	4-28-14	Set cap on CBA Travel Funds for 2014-2015	Approval	Disapproved	Input of FS acknowledged as travel and creative act. policies are considered. Pres. and Prov. again invite discussion with FS	
S-14-06	4-23-14	Renew the Faculty Opinion Survey of Administrative Effectiveness	Information	Noted		
S-14-05	4-23-14	Change Number of Alternates on the P&T Comm.	Approval	Approved		
S-14-04	2-26-14	Approve Revised Graduate Council Bylaws	Approval	Approved	With complete copy of bylaws emailed 03/06/14	
F-13-03	11-20-13	UCF resolution on LEP course caps	Approval	Disapproved	Unnec. and creates confusion: lang. re class caps is contained in CBA, which governs parties' understanding & conduct Several "whereas" clauses not entirely correct and/or not universally accepted	
F-13-02	10-25-13	Bring P&T Doc. in Line with CBA Regarding Role of Univ. President in by Hardship	Approval	Approved		
F-13-01	10-25-13	Change Language Regarding BOT	Approval	Approved		