

Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes
April 8, 2014
Community Engagement Conf. Rm. 246, 2pm – 4pm

Members Present: Ron Nyhan, William McDaniel, Bill Bosshardt, Dilys Schoorman, Morton Levitt, Chris Beetle, Kevin Lanning, Diane Alperin (non-voting).

Absent: Hari Kalva

Guests: Ed Pratt, Michael Hofmann, Deborah Floyd, Barclay Barrios, Eric Dumbaugh

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Dr. Ron Nyhan.
2. The minutes of the meeting of [March 11, 2014](#) were approved with no objections from the committee.

3. President's Report:

Academic Calendar – The Academic Planning and Budget Committee recommended three reading/storm days in fall and 2 reading/storm days in spring. The recommendations have been accepted by the Provost.

P&T Report – Ron suggested the committee report results to the Senate and that the Senate be made fully aware of P&T policy changes as they occur. The aim is to reintegrate committees that appear to operate outside of the constitution.

4. UPC Consent Agenda:

- No objections from the committee – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

5. UPC Action Items:

a. Writing Across Curriculum Committee

Revision Explanation-Writing Across Curriculum.

- No representation – will go forward to Senate **without recommendation from Steering.**

b. Dean of Undergraduate Studies

Policy Changes-Declaration of Major.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

c. College of Arts and Letters

Program Changes-Multimedia Studies Major, Multimedia Journalism Concentration.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

New Certificate-Professional and Technical Writing Certificate Program.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

Certificate Changes-Religious Studies Certificate Program.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

New Program-Japanese Minor.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

d. College of Business

Program Change-Hospitality Management.

- Approved with one opposition from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

6. UGC Consent Agenda:

- No objections from the committee – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

7. UGC Action Items:

e. College of Design and Social Inquiry

Proposal-Doctor of Social Work (DSW)

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

Proposal-Master of Urban and Regional Planning/Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

f. College of Engineering and Computer Science

Memo-Catalog Changes Engineering – Steering moved to UGC Consent Agenda.

Proposal-Distance Learning Certificate in Offshore Engineering.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

g. College of Science

Program Change-Doctor of Philosophy in Geosciences.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

Proposal-Graduate GIS Certificate.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

h. College of Business

Program Change-Executive Masters in Health Administration.

- No objections from Steering – will go forward to Senate **with positive recommendation from Steering.**

8. **Business Items:**

Chris Beetle has been selected as UFS President Elect.

Yolanda Gamboa, Mike Harris, and Mort Levitt have been selected for the Steering Committee.

9. **Speaker:** Deborah Floyd, Interim Dean of the Graduate College will address the April 18 Senate meeting.

10. **Open Forum with the Provost:**

- Vice Provost, Diane Alperin addressed the Steering Committee in Provost Perry's absence.
- Dr. Alperin affirmed that Provost Perry is committed to meeting with all P&T candidates.
- The President will present FAU's Work Plan to the BOG in June and an Accountability Report will be provided in December.
- The University is in a difficult place due to the Strategic Plan.
- All Presidents and provosts are not supportive of performance based funding.
- The University cannot provide more services to students with less money.
- Drs. Michelle Hawkins and Vicki Brown will attend the BOG meeting on eLearning in May.

11. Good of the Steering Committee: