

# COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC, FACULTY AND STUDENT AFFAIRS & EXPERIENCE

Meeting Minutes December 6, 2019

President's Room 215B, Emerson Alumni Hall University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Time Convened: 10:16 a.m. Time Adjourned: 11:41 a.m.

#### **Committee and Board members present:**

Jason J. Rosenberg (Committee Chair), David L. Brandon, James W. Heavener, Morteza Hosseini (Board Chair), Leonard H. Johnson, Thomas G. Kuntz (Board Vice Chair), Daniel T. O'Keefe, Rahul Patel, Marsha D. Powers, Robert G. Stern, Ray G. Thomas and Anita G. Zucker.

#### Others present:

W. Kent Fuchs, President; Winfred Phillips, Executive Chief of Staff and Interim Vice President for Student Affairs; Joseph Glover, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs; Charlie Lane, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer; Amy Hass, Vice President and General Counsel; Elias Eldayrie, Vice President and Chief Information Officer; Zina Evans, Vice President for Enrollment Management and Associate Provost; Antonio Farias, Chief Diversity Officer and Senior Advisor to the President; Jodi Gentry, Vice President for Human Resources; Edward Jimenez, Chief Executive Officer for UF Health Shands; Mark Kaplan, Vice President for Government and Community Relations; Michael McKee, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer; Thomas Mitchell, Vice President for Advancement; David Nelson, Senior Vice President for Health Affairs and President of UF Health, David Norton, Vice President for Research; Nancy Paton, Vice President for Strategic Communications and Marketing; Curtis Reynolds, Vice President for Business Affairs and other members of the University community.

#### 1.0 Call to Order and Welcome

Committee Chair Rosenberg welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

#### 2.0 Verification of Quorum

Vice President Liaison Glover confirmed a quorum with all members present except Student Body President Michael Murphy.

#### 3.0 Review and Approval of Minutes

Committee Chair Rosenberg asked if there were any additions and/or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 6, 2019 meeting, which was made by Trustee Kuntz and a second by Trustee Johnson. Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for further discussion, after which he asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

#### 4.0 Action Items

## **AFSAE1** Tenure Upon Hire

Provost Glover presented the two highly accomplished faculty members who have been hired by the University subject to being awarded tenure upon hire, which requires approval of the Board of Trustees. The two faculty members were:

Dr. Jane Carrington, Associate Professor, College of Nursing

Dr. Sara Behdad, Associate Professor, Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering

Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item AFSAE1 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Brandon, and second which was made by Trustee Johnson. Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

#### AFSAE2 UF/IFAS Hemp Pilot Project

Provost Glover stated that this project was discussed on the November 19, 2019 conference call. University staff have reached out to the Board of Governors office and answered any outstanding questions they may have had. It was determined that no Board of Governors approval was required.

Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item AFSAE2 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Brandon, and second which was made by Trustee Johnson. Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

#### **AFSAE3** Honorary Degrees

The following honorary degrees were recommended by the Honorary Degrees and Distinguished Awards Committee, approved by the Faculty Senate on November 21, 2019, and then by the President on December 2, 2019.

- 1. Marilyn Minter, Doctor of Fine Arts
- 2. John Due, Jr., Doctor of Humane Letters

Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for any questions or further discussion. He then asked for a motion to approve Committee Action Item AFSAE3 for recommendation to the Board for its approval on the Consent Agenda, which was made by Trustee Brandon, and second which was made by Trustee Johnson. Committee Chair Rosenberg asked for further discussion, and then asked for all in favor of the motion and any opposed, and the motion was approved unanimously.

#### 5.0 Discussion Items

## 5.1 Admissions Update

Zina Evans, Vice President for Enrollment Management gave an admissions update.

# 5.2 Student Body President Update

Michael Murphy was not in attendance and did not give an update.

# 5.3 Faculty Senate Update

Ray, Thomas, Chair of the Faculty Senate gave a senate update.

# 5.4 UF International Center Update

Leonardo Villalon, Dean, UF International Center, gave a detailed update on the study abroad program.

## 5.5 Student Experience Update

Provost Glover stated that there have been two recent workshops, one on Student Success and another on Student Experience. Associate Provost for Undergraduate Affairs, Angela Lindner will give an update on the Student Success Summit and Associate Provost and Vice President for Enrollment Management will give an update on the Student Experience Retreat.

Associate Provost Angela Lindner stated that there were 175 participants who attended the Student Success Summit. Dr. Tia Brown McNair was the presenter for this conference. She indicated that the participants were from all over campus and included all different positions from custodial staff to administrative staff. Dr. Lindner shared the collective definition of student success. Dr. Lindner indicated that there would be a Student Success Task Force set up to engage all of campus and she also indicated that there would be an interactive student success website set up as well.

Associate Provost Zina Evans discussed the Student Experience Retreat that was held in November. Staff from Human Resources facilitated the retreat. She indicated that representatives from the Dean of Students Office, Financial Aid, Career Counseling Center, Registrar's Office, Multicultural Affairs and the CLAS Advising Center. The retreat had two questions that was asked:

- 1. From the student experience perspective, what are we doing well and what are our weaknesses?
  - 2. What does Top 5 experience look like?

The theme of One-Stop (virtual and physical) perspective was identified and being able to equip students with skills to anticipate the next roadblocks. It was discussed that a set of standardized questions to consistently give feedback was needed. Need to be able to share information across all systems, central place, holistic view.

Associate Provost Lindner stated that 29 of the advising offices are using the student survey and there will be enough data in May that she will report the results at the June meeting.

## 5.6 Centers/Institutes

- 5.6.1 Name Change: Center for Disability Policy and Practice to University of Florida Literacy Institute (UFLI) College of Education.
- 5.6.2 Name Change: INSPIRE-Invigorating STEM through the Pursuit of Research and Equity to Collaborative for Equity in Education (CEE) College of Education.
- 5.6.3 New Center: Jacksonville Aging Studies CENTer (JAX-ASCENT) College of Medicine.

#### 6.0 New Business

There was no new business to come before the committee.

#### 7.0 Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m.