

Committee on Educational Policy & Strategy Minutes
University of Florida Board of Trustees
September 22, 2008
2:00 p.m.
239 Tigert Hall
University of Florida

Committee Members Present: Cynthia O’Connell, Chair (via telephone), Mac McGriff (via telephone), Danny Ponce (via telephone), Kevin Reilly, and Steven Scott (via telephone)

Committee Members Absent: Frank Bova

Others Present: Brian Beach, Paige Crandall, Jamie Lewis Keith, Chris Loschiavo, Joelen Merkel (via telephone), Dianna Morgan (via telephone), Win Phillips, Janine Sikes, Patricia Telles-Irvin, Al Warrington (via telephone), and Barbara Wingo.

Press: Nathan Crabb (Gainesville Sun), Thomas Stewart (Alligator), and Harrison Diamond (Alligator Photographer).

Chairperson O’Connell called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

Trustee O’Connell asked Dr. Telles-Irvin to give an overview of the Student Conduct Code and Student Honor Code since the September 5th Board of Trustees (BOT) meeting, as reflected in the package circulated to the Committee dated September 12, 2008. After Dr. Telles-Irvin gave her brief overview, Trustee O’Connell asked Trustee Reilly to give Student Government’s view of the changes. Trustee Reilly stated that Student Government is pleased with the draft and feels that most of student recommendations have been incorporated into the current draft.

General Counsel Keith listed the current regulatory sections proposed to be repealed (4.013-4.026), and within those sections, the provisions to be amended and renumbered (4.0162, 4.0212, 4.022), and the one section to be retained (4.0161), as well as the new sections proposed to be adopted, noting there are a few technical proof-reading corrections:

- 6C1-4.040 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Philosophy, Definitions and Scope
- 6C1-4.041 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Violations
- 6C1-4.042 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Procedures
- 6C1-4.0431 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Student Conduct Committee
- 6C1-4.0432 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Violations in University Housing
- 6C1-4.0433 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Health Science Center Student Conduct Committee
- 6C1-4.0434 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Law School Honor System (amended and renumbered)

- 6C1-4.0435 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Greek Conduct Committee
- 6C1-4.0436 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Waiver of Right to a Hearing by a Committee or Administrator
- 6C1-4.044 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Interim Suspension Pending Investigation and Hearing (amended and renumbered)
- 6C1-4.045 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Postponement of Conduct Hearing Due to Pending or Possible Criminal or Civil Charges (amended and renumbered)
- 6C1-4.046 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Alternative Dispute Resolution
- 6C1-4.047 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Sanctions
- 6C1-4.048 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Reviews and Appeals
- 6C1-4.049 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code; Withholding Degrees Pending Resolution of Violation(s), Withdrawing and Revoking Degrees
- 6C1-4.050 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Records, Holds, Issuance of Transcripts, and Retention of Records in Cases of Disciplinary Action
- 6C1-4.051 Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code: Victim Services for Students on Campus

Trustee McGriff made a motion to approve the repeal and renumbering and amendment of current regulations and the adoption of the new regulations as summarized by Ms. Keith.

Trustee Ponce seconded the motion, and the Regulations were approved by the committee unanimously.

Vice President Keith stated there was a small amendment to the proposal attached to the internal operating memo (“Joint Proposal of Student Government and Student Affairs Concerning the Honor Code Chancellor and Vice Chancellors”) to make the proposal consistent with the IOM. The change permits vice chancellors to advise students and serve on conduct committees as long as the same individual does not serve in both roles for the same conduct case.

Trustee Ponce noted that implementation of the IOM is a work in progress and asked that a status report be given on how the process is coming. Trustee O’Connell asked Trustee Reilly to give a progress report at the December BOT meeting.

Trustee Ponce made a motion to approve the internal operating memo, Trustee McGriff seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Trustee Ponce thanked Dr. Telles-Irvin and Dr. Zdziarski as well as all the staff, Trustee Reilly and Student Government for working through this process and commended everyone for all their efforts. Other committee members agreed and gave their thanks.

The meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m.