

Committee on Educational Policy & Strategy Minutes
University of Florida Board of Trustees
February 25, 2010
9:00 a.m.
239 Tigert Hall
University of Florida

Committee Members Present: Jack Mecholsky

Committee Members Present via Telephone: Marshall Criser, Jordan Johnson, Mac McGriff, Dianna Morgan, Cynthia O'Connell, Danny Ponce, and Steven Scott

Committee Members Absent: Carlos Alfonso, Roland Daniels, Earl Powell, and Carolyn Roberts

Others Present: Joe Glover, Jamie Lewis Keith, Janine Sikes, Patricia Telles-Irvin, Barbara Wingo, and Joey Fletcher

Provost Glover called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m., and reminded the committee that the meeting is just informational and no formal approvals would be made.

EP1 – Approval of Fees

Dr. Glover informed the committee that this action item will be moved to discussion items instead.

EP2 – Approval of University of Florida Regulations

VP Keith and Dr. Wingo briefly reviewed the following Regulations:

- UF-1.015 University of Florida Community Campaign
- UF-1.019 Limited Access Records
- UF-1.100 General Personnel Policy
- UF-1.201 Leaves
- UF-2.001 Possession and Use of Firearms
- UF-3.009 Traffic & Parking; Bus System
- UF-3.014 Traffic & Parking; Fine Schedule
- UF-3.0372 Student Health, Athletic, and Activity and Service Fees
- UF-3.058 University Complaint Procedure for University Support Personnel System Employees
- UF-4.007 Confidentiality of Student Records and Applicant Records
- UF-4.041 Student Honor Code and Conduct Code: Scope and Violations
- UF-7.003 Academic Personnel Employment Plan: Academic Appointments, Types of Appointments, Appointment Status Modifier, and Academic-Administrative Classification Titles
- UF-7.019 Tenure and Promotion: Definition, Eligibility, Granting of Tenure, Criteria, Procedures, and Methods of Processing, Confidential Nature of Materials and Discussions, Reports and Appeals, Permanent Status and Sustained Performance Evaluations

- UF-7.042 University Grievance Procedures for Faculty and Postdoctoral Associates;
Definitions, General Information and Procedures
- UF-7.049 Textbook Adoptions

EP3 – Approval of Degree Terminations

Dr. Glover informed the committee of the request to terminate the M.S. in Dairy Science and the M.S. in Poultry Science based on information from the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences that the degrees have not been offered for years. This request is to officially remove the degrees from the books.

EP4 – Approval of Honorary Degree

Dr. Glover stated the Honorary Degree Committee approved an honorary degree for Howard Lance and more information would be provided with the board materials.

EP5 – Approval of University Annual Report

Dr. Glover informed the committee that the Annual Report was required by the Board of Governors (BOG) and had already been submitted to the BOG. In order to completely finalize the Annual Report, BOT approval is required. He also stated that the annual work plan will be brought before the committee once the annual budget has been sent. The committee had a brief discussion about the relationship between the annual report, work plan and the strategic planning process.

Discussion Items

4.0 – Fees

Dr. Telles-Irvin commented that the Reitz Union renovations discussions are continuing and she and Trustee Jordan will continue to provide updates to the committee.

4.1 – Unit Adjustments – department creation/renaming

Dr. Glover informed the committee of two items:

Name change in the College of PPHP from the Department of Communicative Disorders to the Department of Speech, Language, and Hearing Sciences.

Create new school in the College of DCP, School of Landscape Architecture and Planning as a result of merging the departments of Landscape Architecture and Urban and Regional Planning.

Discussion items 4.2 Admissions Update, 4.3 Faculty Senate Update, and 4.4 Student Government Update were reserved for the actual March meeting.

4.5 – Lake Nona as Educational Site

Dr. Glover stated that Vice President Win Phillips would address the committee on this discussion item and informed the committee that the BOG would take some action on this issue in the future.

4.6 – Honor Court Changes to the Student Government Constitution

Dr. Telles-Irvin stated the changes to the Honor Court were voted on and approved, just an information item for the committee.

4.7 – Undergraduate Education

Dr. Glover stated that at the March meeting there would be several items discussed regarding undergraduate education:

- Update from Associate Provost Mair on the Undergraduate Task Force
- Presentation on Humanities General Education course
- Presentation on Biomedical Engineering undergraduate major
- Presentation on Creative B

4.8 – Distance Learning

As a follow-up discussion, several BOT members asked for a follow-up discussion of Distance Learning. Dr. Glover stated Associate Provost Andy McCollough would give an update at the March meeting.

Trustee O’Connell asked for an update on the Gates Foundation Initiative with the College of Education. Dr. Glover said he did not have an update at this time and would prepare a response at the March meeting.

There was no new business and the committee adjourned at 9:45 a.m.