

Franklin College Faculty Senate
Minutes of the meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM in room 213 of the Miller Learning Center, Adam Goodie presiding.

Members Present: John Achee, Analisa Arroyo, Maor Bar-Peled, Mary Bedell, Thomas Biggs, Josh Bynum, Renato Castelao, Tom Cerbu, Brian Condie, Elizabeth Davis, Inge DiBella, Jorge Escalante, Ray Freeman-Lynde, Lisa Fusillo, Adam Goodie, Dan Hall, Chad Howe, Richard Hubbard, Takahiro Ito, Kevin Jones, Kristen Kundert, Derrick Lemons, Megan Lutz, Reid Messich, Silvia Moreno, Nicolas Morrissey, Dan Nakano, Rielle Navitski, Don Nelson, Lakshmish Ramaswamy, Jennifer Rice, Leslie Gordon Simons, Steve Soper, Phillip Stancil, Piers Stephens, Lianchun Wang, Quin Zhao

Proxies: Alex Murawski (proxy for Jain Kwon), Christopher Pizzino (proxy for Tricia Lootens)

Members not present: Wesley Allen, Richard Gordon, Maria Hybinette, Gordana Matic

Approval of the minutes of the January 24, 2017 meeting: Approved without corrections.

President Adam Goodie's Remarks

- President Adam Goodie began his remarks with a welcome. He first addressed the possibility that the Georgia Legislature would be revisiting the Campus Carry law and that this issue may be on the horizon for future Franklin Faculty Senate Meetings.
- President Goodie also discussed the next round of elections for the Senate, noting that new officers would be needed to support President-Elect Mary Bedell. He also pointed out that there would soon be elections for a new President-Elect, new Secretary, and new Committee Chairs.
- The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 21st.

Dean Dorsey's Remarks

- Dean Dorsey began his remarks noting that there were no updates regarding the budget. The Georgia Legislature is still developing the state budget, and currently the proposal includes raises for state employees. Dean Dorsey noted that the University may also provide internal funds to add to faculty and staff raises.
- Dean Dorsey discussed one important staffing change in Franklin College. Associate Dean Russell Malmberg will be retiring this year. Dr. Malmberg has served as a Department Head (Plant Biology) as well as working in the Dean's Office in creation, among other projects, the Young Dawg's Program. The search for a new Associate Dean has already been initiated.
- Dean Dorsey announced that his State of the College Address would be held following the April 18th meeting of the Franklin Faculty Senate. The first 30 minutes of the meeting would consist of the regular Senate Agenda following by 30 to 45 minutes for the college address.
- Next, Dean Dorsey addressed the issue of the HB 280 ("Campus Carry"), noting that Steve Wrigley, Chancellor of the Georgia Board of Regents had submitted a letter to legislators

making the case that the current laws regarding the restrictions against carrying firearms on college campuses in Georgia are sufficient.

- Dean Dorsey then discussed the UGA "Double Dawgs Initiative", which involves students enrolled in dual bachelors and masters degree programs at UGA. Honors students already have this option; changes are currently being made to extend this program to other students. Within this program, up to 12 hours of graduate credit can be counted towards an undergraduate degree. The combined bachelors/masters program is expected to require five years to complete. The Dean noted that financial incentives for departments wishing to develop these programs are being discussed as well.
- Q&A: Regarding the Double Dawgs Initiative, the Dean was asked specifically what the merit was for allowing students to complete in five years a series of programs of study that would traditionally require six? Dean Dorsey referred senators to the materials in Curriculum Systems regarding each individual program to learn more about the merits of these programs.
- Q&A: Dean Dorsey was further asked whether or not Departments have a choice in deciding to participate in the Double Dawgs Initiative. The Dean responded that Departments are not required to participate.
- Q&A: One Senator inquired about how the 'Honors Option' courses might fit into the Double Dawgs Initiative. Dean Dorsey noted that these options would translate easily into the new dual degree program.
- Q&A: A question was raised regarding whether or not HOPE would cover the year of masters level course work. Dean Dorsey replied that it would not since HOPE does not cover graduate courses. However, HOPE may be used to cover graduate level course work that is applied to the undergraduate program of study.
- Q&A: One Senator pointed out that this dual enrollment program could be used as a useful tool for retaining talented undergraduate students. The Dean and other Senators agreed.
- Q&A: Finally, the Dean was asked about the possibility of linking programs between colleges. The Dean explained that the initiative has started with programs that either are housed within a single department or between departments in Franklin College. The possibility of linking programs across colleges remains to be discussed.
- The discussion concerning the Double Dawgs Initiative was concluded with Dean Dorsey noting that proposals for this program are due in June.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Standards Committee: No new business reported.
- Curriculum Committee: Approved 38 new courses, approved 98 course changes, approved 2 Bulletin Changes (Latin America and Caribbean Studies AND Theatre and Film Studies), 1 Graduate Certificate approved (Sustainability), 1 Major Name Change (Studio Art (A.B.) to Art: Interdisciplinary Art and Design (A.B.)), 1 Move of Certificate (Local Food Systems Certificate moved from Department of Horticulture (CAES) to Department of Geography (FCAS))
- 11 General elective course proposals, 1 degree course proposal, 1 termination of degree
- Executive Committee: No new business reported.
- Committee on Faculty Affairs: No new business reported.
- Committee on Planning & Evaluation: No new business reported.

New Business:

- Proposal for Criminal Justice Studies minor

The Senate discussed a proposal for a Criminal Justice Studies Minor. Ned Phares from the Criminal Justice Studies Program provided a few comments. There were no questions. The proposal was approved unanimously by the faculty senate.

Old Business:

- None

Meeting was adjourned at 4:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Chad Howe
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