

FACULTY SENATE MOTIONS: 1991-92, (RALPH LEWIS, CHAIR)SEPTEMBER 3, 1991:

Motion # 12-01:

The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Committee Bulletin #8 with the exception of EIN 3XXX, Evaluation of Engineering Data, subject to resolution.

Motion #12-02:

In the event a course instructor is deceased, the department chair or his/her designee is authorized to initiate a Change of Grade in place of the instructor with an explanation that the instructor is deceased. In the event a course instructor is not currently employed by FIU, the department chair or designee must request written authorization from the instructor to change a grade. If, after 30 calendar days of receipt of a registered letter by the instructor or 45 days after sending a registered letter to the instructor, she/he fails to respond or acknowledge completion of work, the chair or designee is authorized to initiate a Change of Grade in place of the instructor. The department chair or designee must attach an explanation of attempts made to gain the cooperation of the instructor and justification for changing the grade without the instructor's concurrence and justification of the grade.

It will continue to be the responsibility of deans to approve Change of Grade forms from departments. Deans are urged to give critical attention to Change of Grade forms submitted in accordance with this recommendation to avoid abuse of the process.

Motion #12-03:

The Faculty Senate invites the faculty of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication to select two faculty members to serve as non-voting observers to the Faculty senate and to select faculty members to serve as non-voting observers to each Faculty Senate standing committee for this academic year.

SEPTEMBER 17, 1991:

Motion #12-04: (Sent to McTarnaghan by Mau for approval on 9/30/91)

The Faculty Senate recommends that FIU request BOR permission to adopt the following academic calendar dates for starting and ending classes. Some are later (bold) than the BOR windows:

1992-1993:	Fall M Aug 31 - F Dec 11
	Spr. M Jan 11 - F Apr 23
	Sum. M May 10 - W Aug 18
1993-1994:	Fall M Aug 30 - F Dec 10
	Spr. M Jan 10 - F Apr 22
	Sum. M May 8 - W Aug 17
1994-1995:	Fall M Aug 29 - F Dec 9
	Spr. M Jan 9 - F Apr 21
	Sum. M May 8 - W Aug 16
1995-1996:	Fall M Aug 28 - F Dec 8
	Spr. M Jan 8 - F Apr 19 (leap year)
	Sum. M May 6 - W Aug 14

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(The Senate endorses this calendar because all three semesters will be nearly the same length, which is pedagogically desirable, and all will start on Mondays. These advantages cannot be achieved by strict adherence to the windows.)

Motion #12-05:

The Faculty Senate rescinds the scheduled meeting of October 1, 1991.

Motion #12-06:

The Faculty Senate will meet on October 1, 1991, at 1:00 P.M. in UH 140.

Motion #12-07:

The Faculty Senate believes that Convocation should be held this year, but faculty who attend should buy their own lunches. The Convocation Committee should make every effort to reduce the cost of the event.

OCTOBER 1 - No motions passed

OCTOBER 15, 1991:

Motion #12-08:

The Faculty Senate and the Convocation are to be congratulated and commended for the outstanding 1991-92 Faculty Convocation. The Faculty Senate should commence with planning for the 1992 Convocation as quickly as possible.

Members of the Convocation Committee for 1991-92 are: Ralph Lewis, Co-Chairperson, Claire McElfresh, Co-Chairperson, Lane Coleman, Ronnie Wooten, William Keppler, Ron Martin, Laurence Miller, Zaida Morales Martinez, Thomas Thompson, Michael Wagner, Hedy First

Motion #12-09:

The Faculty Senate supports the student rally to be held Monday, October 21 and encourages faculty and student participation.

OCTOBER 29, 1991:

Motion #12-10:

The Faculty Senate approves CCB #1/2 with the following changes: (1) School of Journalism & Mass Communication program change: item I: substitute "English" for "creative writing, English writing/linguistics.: (p.10) (2) School of Public Affairs & Services - catalog revisions for the Ph.D. program in Public Administration: specialization courses: delete "Legal context of Public Administration."

Motion #12 -11:

WHEREAS the Faculty Senate of Florida International University has responsibility for the maintenance of a comprehensive educational policy within the university, and

WHEREAS the recent shortfalls in the state revenue have resulted in reductions in an already insufficient budget at Florida International University, and

WHEREAS, these budget cuts have resulted in serious reductions in the University's ability to fulfill its missions of educating the students of Florida, doing research and serving the people of Florida, and

WHEREAS, a deterioration in the nature, scope and quality of higher education represents a long-term threat to the economic development and quality of life for all citizens of Florida,

THEREBY be it resolved that the Florida International University Faculty Senate urges the state executive and legislative leaders to recognize these conditions and take action to adequately support the State University System in offering quality education to all of its students, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Florida International University Faculty Senate petitions the executive and legislative branches of the state government to take immediate actions to reform Florida's inadequate tax structure, exercise fiscal responsibility and exert leadership to guide Florida out of the current financial crisis and to improve the long-term revenue structure of the State of Florida.

NOVEMBER 12, 1991:

Motion #12-12:

The Faculty Senate recommends the adoption of emeritus faculty policy section of the Academic Affairs Policies and Procedures Manual.

NOVEMBER 26, 1991:

Motion #12-13:

The Faculty Senate recommends the adoption of Policy 4.48 with the following wording substituted for the procedure section:

A faculty member who anticipates being absent should notify his/her department chair or academic dean as soon as possible in order that arrangements may be made for the meeting of classes and the performance of other scheduled duties. where possible, students should be notified in advance of class cancellations.

Instructors must never hire anyone else to teach a course to which they have been assigned.

Instructors should make it normal practice to meet classes for the full scheduled time.

It is the responsibility of the department chairperson to ensure that this policy is observed.

Motion 12-14:

The Faculty Senate recommends the adoption of Policy 4.49 with the following wording substituted for the policy section:

Each instructor must schedule and keep office hours when they will be available to confer with students. Office hours must be scheduled so that students will have reasonable access to their instructors.

And the following wording substituted for the procedure section:

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Instructors must notify students of their office phone numbers and hours and ensure that schedules of office hours are posted in their departments and near their office locations.

Instructors must afford students unable to meet during scheduled office hours the opportunity to schedule special appointments.

It is the responsibility of department chairpersons to ensure that this policy is observed.

Motion #12-15:

The Faculty Senate sends policy 4.91 back to the Office of Academic Affairs for reconsideration by the administration.

The Faculty Senate believes there is no intrinsic difference between employment at other institutions of higher education and any other outside employment. Therefore, we urge the administration to reconsider this policy and to treat this type of employment like any other form of outside employment.

Motion #12-16:

The placement of non-University agent advertising in any University classroom or University room commonly and regularly used as a classroom is to be expressly forbidden. The University shall move to adopt a rule governing this matter no later than the end of AY 1991-92.

Motion #12-17:

The Faculty Senate approves the "Legal Context of Public Administration track In the Ph.D. in Public Administration (from Bulletin #1/2).

Motion #12-18:

The Faculty Senate approves Bulletin #3 with the following changes: (1) EIA 5811 (p.21) change the word "engineering" in the description to "technical." (2) ECP 4007 (p.6) Cost-Benefit Analysis - withdrawn pending resolution of an objection. (3) Any typographical errors in the bulletin are solely in the bulletin, not the original documents.

CHRISTMAS VACATION

JANUARY 14, 1992

Motion #12-19:

The Faculty Senate reiterates its support for the Master in Nursing.

Motion #12-20:

The Faculty Senate urges the administration to provide signed contracts prior to the beginning of each academic year.

1991-92 Motions, Continued:

JANUARY 28, 1992:

Motion #12-21:

When events, independently sponsored by outside organizations are scheduled for University space, those academic units most closely aligned with the interests of the event, will be notified at the time of booking said space.

Motion #12-22:

The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Committee Bulletin #4/1991-92 with the following changes: (1) Page 1: EIN 4XXX - withdraw pending resolution of an objection. (2) Page 2: NUR 3255, 3255L, 3534 and 3534L - change all course numbers to NUR 3XXX.

FEBRUARY 25, 1992:

Motion #12-23:

The Faculty Senate approves the Grievance Policy and Procedures Manual as amended.

Motion #12-24:

The Faculty Senate approves Planning & Feasibility proposals for the Ph.D. in Linguistics and the Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering.

MARCH 10, 1992:

Motion #12-25:

(From Bulletin #3) The Faculty Senate approves ECP 4007, Cost-Benefit Analysis with the following addition to the description: "as applied in the government sector for public investment decisions."

Motion #12-26:

The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Committee Bulletin #5/1991-92 and the addendum, with the following changes and deletions:

- a. Change BCN 4XXX Construction Sitework, to BCN 3XXX (page 9)
- b. Delete pending resolution of objections:
 - ENG 5XXX - College Composition Practicum (page 4)
 - ENG 5XXX - Teaching Composition (page 4)
 - ENG 5XXX - Special Topics in Pedagogy (page 4)
 - LIN 5044 - Applied Linguistics for Teaching Spanish (page 4)
 - HES 5935 - Current Topics in Health Education (page 9)
 - Health Occupation Education Track Changes (page 2)

MARCH 25, 1992:

Motion 12-27: (From Bulletin #5, page 7)

The Faculty Senate approves the following courses which were deleted from Curriculum Committee Bulletin #5: (1) ENG 5XXX - College Composition Practicum - change to ENG 6XXX, 1 credit. Add: "Course does not meet certification requirements." (2) ENG 5XXX - Teaching Composition - Change to ENG 6XXX, Teaching College Composition. Add "Course does not meet certification requirements." (3) ENG 5XXX - Special Topics in Pedagogy - Change to ENG 6XXX, Special Topics in

College Pedagogy. Add "Course does not meet certification requirements."