

Faculty Senate Motions 2009-2010

Thomas Breslin, Chairperson

SEPTEMBER 1, 2009:

Motion#09/10:01:

The Faculty Senate approves the nomination of Dawn Addy as Parliamentarian.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2009:

Motion#09/10:02:

The Faculty Senate approves the Nomination of Kevin O'Shea to serve on the Graduate Council

Motion#09/10:03:

The Faculty Senate shall establish an Ad Hoc Global Initiative Curriculum Oversight Committee.

OCTOBER 13, 2009:

Motion#09/10:04:

The Faculty Senate approves the nomination of Noma Anderson for Secretary.

Motion#09/10:05:

The Faculty Senate approves the nomination of Ruth Shack for an Honorary Degree.

Motion#09/10:06:

In the spirit of the 2006 Joint Statement and in an effort to enhance our campuses through collaboration between faculty and administrators, the Faculty Senate recommends the institutionalization of a formal process for faculty input on and review of university master plans.

Motion#09/10:07:

The Faculty Senate remands the following committee motion to the On-Line Review Committee for clarification: Before any new online degree program is developed, it has to be brought forward to the Faculty Senate for discussion.

OCTOBER 27, 2009:

Motion#09/10:08:

The Faculty Senate approves the proposal for a **New Major in Social Studies Education for the Bachelor of Arts in History.**

Motion#09/10:09:

The Faculty Senate approves the **Healthcare Management Track for the Professional MBA.**

Motion#09/10:10:

The Faculty Senate approves the **Doctorate in Nursing Practice.**

Motion#09/10:11:

The Faculty Senate approves Bulletin 1.

Motion#09/10:12:

Article V, 14, A: Membership on the Nature Preserve and Campus Environment Committee shall be changed to read: "This committee shall consist of **at least four** members appointed by the chair of the Faculty Senate with the approval of the Steering Committee."

Motion#09/10:13:

Article V, 17,A: Membership on the On-Line Review Committee shall be changed to read: "The Committee will be composed of **at least** five members, appointed by the Chair of the Faculty Senate with the approval of the Steering Committee. At least three of the five must have had experience teaching an on-line course."

NOVEMBER 17, 2009:

Motion#09/10:14:

Whereas the Faculty Senate and the University have pledged in a Joint Statement that the faculty of affected units will be consulted, to the greatest extent possible, and before any final resolution is made, regarding major decisions affecting the faculty, including the planning of major academic initiatives; and

Whereas the decision to offer an FIU degree program in partnership with a private company is a major decision affecting faculty and a major academic initiative,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the University administration shall render a full report on the student learning outcomes of the Corporate MBA being initiated in 2009-2010 in partnership with Higher Ed Holdings (HEH) as of the completion of the degree program by the first cohort of students admitted to the program during Academic Year 2009-2010; and

Be it further resolved, that no other degree programs shall be offered in partnership with HEH under the terms of the University's current contract with HEH without first consulting with the Faculty Senate; and

Be it further resolved that the University shall neither renew its contract with HEH nor enter into any other such contract to offer any FIU degree in partnership with any other private company without first consulting with the Faculty Senate.

Motion#09/10:15:

The Faculty Senate approves the revised Appointment and Promotion Guidelines for Non-Tenure-Track Faculty.

DECEMBER 1, 2009

Motion#09/10:16: The Faculty Senate approves the proposal for a New Social Studies Education Major for the Bachelor of Arts in Geography.

Motion#09/10:17: The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Bulletin 2.

Motion#09/10:18: The Faculty Senate approves the name change of the Ad Hoc Global Initiative Curriculum Oversight Committee to Ad Hoc Global Learning Curriculum Oversight Committee.

Motion#09/10:19: The vote on the Global Learning for Global Citizenship Curriculum Framework is postponed to the next Faculty Senate meeting.

JANUARY 12, 2010

Motion#09/10:20: The Faculty Senate approves the MS in Information Technology with the following issues resolved, removal of the IS from the admission requirements, correct text to four core courses and six elective courses and deletion of the Data & Knowledge Management Concentration.

Motion#09/10:21: The Faculty Senate approves the Global Learning for Global Citizenship Curriculum Framework.

Motion#09/10:22: The Faculty Senate amends the Graduate Student Academic Grievance Guidelines and Procedures and the Undergraduate Student Academic Grievance Guidelines and Procedures proposals so that the terminate the informal grievance process is terminated at the departmental level unless the department chair is the subject of the complaint, wherein in those instances the complaint will be forwarded to the college or school dean.

Motion#09/10:23: The Faculty Senate remands the Graduate Student Academic Grievance Guidelines and Procedures and the Undergraduate Student Academic Grievance Guidelines and Procedures proposals to the committees.

JANUARY 26, 2010

Motion#09/10:24: The Faculty Senate approves the proposal for a New Social Studies Education Major for the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

Motion#09/10:25: The Faculty Senate approves the Unit Specific Admission Standards for the School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

Motion#09/10:26: The Faculty Senate approves Bulletin 3.

Motion#09/10:27: Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate encourages FIU to make a sustained effort to help the people of Haiti recover from the January 2010 earthquake and we encourage LACC to coordinate our efforts. We also request that LACC oversee the FIU website devoted to Haitian relief and recovery.

FEBRUARY 16, 2010

Motion#09/10:28: In light of the recent construction of the new HLS South Parking Lot beyond the site limits prescribed in the current FIU 2005–2015 Master Plan, the FIU Faculty Senate recommends that any deviation from the approved master plan be made in consultation with the Senate.

Motion#09/10:29: The Faculty Senate approves the nomination of Betty Castor for an Honorary Degree.

MARCH 2, 2010

Motion#09/10:30: The Faculty Senate approves the proposal to Establish Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards for the College of Business Administration

Motion#09/10:31: The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Bulletin #4 with the following deferrals until the outstanding objections are resolved:

- Approval of Changes to the Master of Science in Management Information Systems
- ISC 1XXX Great Ideas in Science and ISC 1XXXL Great Ideas in Science lab

Motion#09/10:32: The Faculty Senate approves the following documents as amended:

- Graduate Student Academic Grievance Guidelines and Procedures
- Graduate Academic Misconduct Definitions and Procedures
- Undergraduate Student Academic Grievance Guidelines and Procedures
- Undergraduate Academic Misconduct Definitions and Procedures

Motion#09/10:33: The Faculty Senate approves the Course Syllabi Requirements.

Motion#09/10:34: The Faculty Senate tables the Faculty and Staff as Students policy until conclusion of the UFF / University bargaining.

Motion#09/10:35: The Faculty Senate approves the Teaching Qualifications and Documentation.

Motion#09/10:36: The Faculty Senate requests the Provost office create a standardized and pre-published final week of the semester schedule for at least two years in advance.

Motion failed. Motion#09/10:37: The Faculty Senate requests the university return to the five day schedule for the summer.

Motion#09/10:38: The Faculty Senate remands the 2010-2011 Academic Calendar to the Academic Policies and Personnel Committee for further review.

Motion#09/10:39: *The Faculty Senate tables the Online Committee Resolution until the next Faculty Senate meeting.*

MARCH 23, 2010

Motion#09/10:40: *The Faculty Senate approves the ISC 1XXX Great Ideas in Science and ISC 1XXXL Great Ideas in Science lab.*

Motion#09/10:41: The Senate Chair shall communicate to the appropriate parties that the FIU Faculty Senate strongly opposes any reduction in Florida Retirement System benefits.

APRIL 13, 2010

Motion#09/10:42: *The Faculty Senate approves the following resolution concerning the untimely death of Kendall Berry:*

Whereas the FIU Faculty Senate is deeply saddened by the untimely death of our student Kendall Berry;

And whereas the FIU Faculty Senate believes this must be a difficult time for his family and friends:

Be it therefore resolved that the Faculty Senate wishes to:

- Express our deepest condolence to his Family and Friends for a life cut short in its prime
- Extend our heartfelt prayers to them in their moment of tragedy.

No expression of grief can replace him but his memory as a kind and gentle soul will remain with us forever. We know he will be missed therefore, may the Lord provide them with the strength and fortitude to cope and bless them always.

Motion#09/10:43: The Faculty Senate approves the English Education Major in the Bachelor of Arts in English.

Motion#09/10:44: The Faculty Senate approves the Software Major in the Bachelor of Science in Information Technology.

Motion#09/10:45: The Faculty Senate approves the New Master of Arts in Global Governance.

Motion#09/10:46: The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Bulletin #5 with the following deferral until the outstanding objection is resolved: Graduate Certificate in Health Informatics

Motion#09/10:47: The Faculty Senate approves that students who enroll in (and pass) the pilot sections and labs of the proposed Great Ideas in Science course during summer C and fall 2010 be permitted to count this course and lab toward the completion of the Life or Physical Sciences University Core Curriculum requirement.

Motion#09/10:48: The Faculty Senate approves the inclusion of the following courses into the University Core Curriculum to satisfy the indicated requirements:

- *"Our Coastal Environment: From the Bay to the World"*
to satisfy the Life Sciences requirement.
- *"Foundations of Global Learning in Humanities: How We Know What We Know"*
to satisfy the Humanities requirement.
- *"Artistic Expressions in Global Society"*
to satisfy the Arts requirement.
- *"International Nutrition, Public Health and Economic Development"*
to satisfy the Social Inquiry, Societies and Identities requirement.
- *"Loosening Cultural Comfort, Gaining Global Perspectives"*
to satisfy the Social Inquiry, Societies and Identities requirement.

Motion#09/10:49: The Faculty Senate approves the assignment of Global Learning designation to the following courses: *"Our Coastal Environment: From the Bay to the World"*, *"International Nutrition, Public Health and Economic Development"*, *"Foundations of Global Learning in Humanities: How We Know What We Know"*, *"Artistic Expressions in Global Society"*, and *"Loosening Cultural Comfort, Gaining Global Perspectives"*.

Motion#09/10:50: The Faculty Senate tables the consideration of the Revised Student Learning Outcomes.

Motion#09/10:51: The Faculty Senate approves the 2010-2011 Academic Calendar.

Motion#09/10:52: The Faculty Senate approves the 2010-2011 Faculty Senate meeting dates.

Motion#09/10:53: The Faculty Senate tables the consideration of the Online Committee Resolution.

Motion#09/10:54: The Faculty Senate is in support of the University going green in its printing practices.

JUNE 15, 2010

Motion#09/10:55: The Faculty Senate approves the Certificate in Health Informatics and Management Systems.

Motion#09/10:56: The Faculty Senate approves Bulletin 6 with the following withdrawals:

HSA 5125	New Alpha Prefix: PHC
HSA 6155	New Alpha Prefix: PHC
HSA 6156	New Alpha Prefix: PHC
HSA 6176	New Alpha Prefix: PHC
HSA 6185	New Alpha Prefix: PHC
HSA 6197	New Alpha Prefix: PHC
HSA 6426	New Alpha Prefix: PHC

Motion#09/10:57: The Faculty Senate approves the assignment of Global Learning designation to the following courses: "Global Supply Chains and Logistics", "Studies in World Religion", "Intercultural/Interracial Communication", "World Ethnographies", "Introduction to Labor Studies" and "Religion: Analysis & Interpretation."

Motion#09/10:58: The Faculty Senate approves the Revised Student Learning Outcomes.

Motion#09/10:58A: The Faculty Senate approves the Resolution Concerning the Future of Online Education at FIU

Whereas the FIU Faculty Senate recognizes that use of instructional technology, including online technology, has the potential to increase student access to higher education;

And whereas the FIU Faculty Senate believes that the University must increase access without diminishing academic excellence;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the following principles should govern the future of online education at FIU:

1. If the faculty is to be encouraged to develop quality online course materials, the faculty must be confident that they will be treated fairly. In order to achieve that goal, the University administration shall bargain with the UFF policies on intellectual property rights and fair compensation for online course materials and insure implementation of those policies.
2. FIU should explore the establishment of financially viable online degree programs that provide increased access for students.
3. FIU should study the desirability of developing its own ability to recruit students outside South Florida for online degree programs.

4. FIU should encourage and support practices that maximize online course completion rates without attenuating program quality.
5. FIU should conduct ongoing surveys of students and potential students to learn more about their needs in FIU's online courses.
6. FIU should experiment with practices and technologies aimed at increasing interaction between online faculty and students and developing a sense of community and shared experience in online courses and degree programs.
7. FIU should encourage and support experimentation with online education to reduce the costs of education, including development of online texts and course materials to provide students affordable and high quality online degree programs.
8. All new online degree programs shall be approved through the regular curriculum procedures used by the Faculty Senate for approval of other FIU courses and degree programs.
9. FIU shall support the hiring of our own FIU graduate students whenever appropriate for online learning.

Motion#09/10:59: The Faculty Senate approves the Procedures and Guidelines for Promotion of Librarians.

Motion#09/10:60: The Faculty Senate approves the adoption of procedures, in accordance with existing late drop policies, allowing students to late drop one or more courses.

Motion#09/10:61: The Faculty Senate requests that any new or updated University technology policies relating to faculty, teaching, service or research be brought to the Faculty Senate for discussion regarding their potential impact on faculty, teaching, service or research.

Motion#09/10:62: The Faculty Senate requests that the University provide faculty and staff with a simplified method for secure file transfer.

Motion#09/10:63: The Faculty Senate requests that the University provide PC and VGA cables/connections for all e-classrooms.

TABLED Motion#09/10:64: The Faculty Senate solicits a report documenting that all security cameras on campus are operational and routinely maintained and updated to minimum standards, if any.