Faculty Senate Motions 2011-2012
Thomas Breslin, Chairperson

**AUGUST 30, 2011:**

**Motion#11/12:01:**
The Faculty Senate approves the nomination of Leonard Bliss as Parliamentarian.

**Motion#11/12:02:**
The Faculty Senate withdraws the following proposal that was included by mistake in Bulletin 6: Changes to the Master of Science in Adult Education and Human Resource Development.

**Motion#11/12:03:**
The Faculty Senate requests from departments, whose courses appear in number 1 of the Findings section of the UCCOC AY 2010-2011 Review of UCC Report, that the listed courses either be taught or dropped from the UCC.

**Motion#11/12:04:**
The Faculty Senate requests from departments, whose courses appear in number 2 of the Findings section of the UCCOC AY 2010-2011 Review of UCC Report; that the listed courses be in compliance with the established full-time/adjunct ratio for 3000 and 4000 level courses in the UCC by October 15, 2011.

**Motion#11/12:05:**
The Faculty Senate requests from departments, whose courses appear in number 3 of the Findings section of the UCCOC AY 2010-2011 Review of UCC Report, to establish or clarify course SLOs for the listed courses to match the description of the UCC category the course is placed in by October 15, 2011.

**Motion#11/12:06:**
The Faculty Senate requests from departments, whose courses appear in number 4 of the Findings section of the UCCOC AY 2010-2011 Review of UCC Report, to establish or clarify course activities for the listed courses to demonstrate how the course SLOs are achieved by October 15, 2011.

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2011:**

**Motion#11/12:07:**
The Faculty Senate approves the return of the excess money donated to the Travel Ban Fund to the ACLU as a donation.

**OCTOBER 25, 2011:**

**Motion#11/12:08:**
The Faculty Senate approves all Global Learning Designation Proposals presented in Curriculum Bulletin 1 with the following exception: “Honors Seminar V: Aesthetics, Values and Authority”.

**Motion#11/12:09:**
The Faculty Senate approves the new track “Honors in Marine Biology” for BS majors in Marine Biology.

**Motion#11/12:10:**
The Faculty Senate approves the new degree “Master of Law”.

**Motion#11/12:11:**
The Faculty Senate approves the following two Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposals:
- MS in International Real Estate program
- Master of International Business

**Motion#11/12:12:**
The Faculty Senate approves Bulletin 1 with the removal of the following two course change proposals:
- IND 5427 New Title: Construction Documents
- IND 5485 New Title: Advanced Construction Documents

**November 15, 2011:**

**Motion#11/12:13:**
The Faculty Senate amends Motion#11/12:08 previously approved by striking the out “Honors Seminar III: Inhabiting Other Lives” and inserting “Honors Seminar V: Aesthetics, Values and Authority.”

**Motion#11/12:14:**
The Faculty Senate approves the Graduate Council By-Laws. *Motion postponed.*

**Motion#11/12:15:**
The Faculty Senate approves SPC 3230 (Rhetorical Communication: A Theory of Civic Discourse) to fulfill the Humanities section of the core curriculum.

**Motion#11/12:16:**
The University should provide support so that the Higher Administration Education program, Office of Planning and Institutional Research, and the Office of Academic Planning and Accountability might collaborate more closely and effectively. The Faculty Senate requests the Provost office to submit a plan by January 31, 2012.

**Motion#11/12:17:**
The Faculty Senate recommends the increase of the numbers of awards from three to six in the categories of Excellence in Teaching and Excellence in Research and Creative Activities, the number of awards in the other categories to remain the same. The Faculty Senate also accepts the Provost's proposal that these extra awards be funded from the general monies awarded. Thus to fund the six additional awards, the prize money for all the awards would drop from $7,500 to $5,000.
November 29, 2011:

Motion#11/12:18: The Faculty Senate approves all Global Learning Designation Proposals presented in Curriculum Bulletin 2 with the following exceptions: SYG 2010 (Social Problems), INR 4013 (Development of International Relations Thought), and CGS 3XXX (Technology in the Global Arena).

Motion#11/12:19: The Faculty Senate approves the new graduate major “Professional Science Masters in Forensic Sciences” in Chemistry (CAS).

Motion#11/12:20: The Faculty Senate approves the graduate major “Professional Science Masters in Medical Physics” in Physics (CAS).

Motion#11/12:21: The Faculty Senate approves the following Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposal: Masters in Social Work (Advanced standing status: change GPA of upper division 60 credits from 3.0 to 3.25)

Motion#11/12:22: The Faculty Senate approves Bulletin 2 with the exception of the Global Learning Designation proposals for SYG2010, INR4013, and CGS3XXX.

Motion#11/12:23: The Faculty Senate approves the Graduate Council By-Laws as amended to include the words “non-voting” after “ex-officio.”

January 17, 2012:

Motion#11/12:24: The Faculty Senate approves LAA 3712 (Image of the Garden: Nature and Culture) to fulfill the Humanities section of the core curriculum.

January 31, 2012:

Motion#11/12:25: The Faculty Senate approves all Global Learning Designation Proposals presented in Curriculum Bulletin 3.

Motion#11/12:26: The Faculty Senate approves the New Graduate Track: “Executive Master of Public Administration” in Public Administration (CAS).

Motion#11/12:27: The Faculty Senate approves the following Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposal: Master of Public Administration (waive GMAT/GRE for students with undergraduate upper division GPA >= 3.5)

Motion#11/12:28: The Faculty Senate approves the following Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposal: Executive Masters of Taxation (waive GMAT/GRE, if the student has a graduate degree from ASCB accredited university or passed CPA, or received undergraduate accounting degree from FIU with GPA >= 3.25)
**Motion#11/12:29:** The Faculty Senate approves the following Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposal: Masters of Accounting (waive GMAT/GRE, if the student has a graduate degree from ASCB accredited university or passed CPA, or received undergraduate accounting degree from FIU with GPA >= 3.25)

**Motion#11/12:30:** The Faculty Senate approves the following Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposal: MS in Foreign Language Education (remove GRE requirement)

**Motion#11/12:31:** The Faculty Senate approves the following Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposal: MS in Early Childhood Education (remove GRE requirement)

**Motion#11/12:32:** The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Bulletin 3.

**February 21, 2012:**

**Motion#11/12:33:** The Faculty Senate approves the Graduate Admission Criteria and Denial Policy.

**Motion#11/12:34:** The Faculty Senate approves the Graduate Program Policies and Procedures.

**Motion#11/12:35:** The Faculty Senate approves the Application to Graduate Programs Policy.

**March 6, 2012:**

**Motion#11/12:36:** The Faculty Senate approves IDS 3XXX (Health without Borders) for inclusion into the Societies & Identities section of the core curriculum.

**Motion#11/12:37:** The Faculty Senate approves all Global Learning Designation Proposals presented in Curriculum Bulletin 4.

**Motion#11/12:38:** The Faculty Senate approves the New Undergraduate Major: “Digital Media Services” in the School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

**Motion#11/12:39:** The Faculty Senate approves the Unit-Specific Graduate Admission Standards proposal for Master of Science in Finance: waive GMAT/GRE if the student
- has an undergraduate business degree with upper division GPA >= 3.0 and four years of business related work experience
- or has an undergraduate business degree with finance major from FIU with upper division GPA >= 3.0

**Motion#11/12:40:** The Faculty Senate approves the Curriculum Bulletin 4.

**Motion#11/12:41:** The Faculty Senate recommends to the Provost that he instruct all deans to work with their faculty to review the Senate report on unit governing documents, review their own unit’s governing documents and revise them as necessary to strengthen and align them with the Faculty Senate Constitution and By-Laws.
**Motion#11/12:42:** The Faculty Senate instructs the Faculty Senators and members of College Faculty Steering Committees to review the Senate report on unit governing documents, review their own unit’s governing documents and work with their deans to revise them as necessary to strengthen and align them with the Faculty Senate Constitution and By-Laws.

**Motion#11/12:43:** The Faculty Senate advises the Provost that it is the custom of academic units to allow departments to select texts for adjuncts and this practice is not inconsistent with the principle of academic freedom.

**March 27, 2012:**

**Motion#11/12:44:** The Faculty Senate Chair will establish an Ad Hoc Committee investigate the questions raised and the efficacy of the following proposals and bring it back to the 3rd Faculty Senate meeting in the Fall:

- The Faculty Senate approves the SPC 2608 (Public Speaking) or an equivalent course as a graduation requirement for an undergraduate degree from FIU. Each section of the course shall have an enrollment cap of 30 students.
- The Faculty Senate approves the removal of SPC 2608 (Public Speaking) from the Arts section of the core curriculum subject to the approval of a public speaking graduation requirement.

**April 17, 2012:**

**Motion#11/12:45:** The Faculty Senate approves the switching of DAN 2100 (Introduction to Dance) with COM 3417 (Communication in Film) to fulfill the Arts section of the core curriculum.

**Motion#11/12:46:** The Faculty Senate approves the switching of DAN 2140 (Dance in Modern American Culture) with COM 3404 (Nonverbal Communication) to fulfill the Arts section of the core curriculum.

**Motion#11/12:47:** The Faculty Senate approves all Global Learning Designation Proposals presented in Curriculum Bulletin 5.

**Motion#11/12:48:** The Faculty Senate approves the New Undergraduate Major: “Japanese Area Studies” within “Asian Studies B.A.” in the Department of Asian Studies (A&S).

**Motion#11/12:49:** The Faculty Senate approves the New Undergraduate Minor: “Japanese Language and Literature” in the Department of Asian Studies (A&S)

**Motion#11/12:50:** The Faculty Senate approves the curriculum bulletin#5.

**Motion#11/12:51:** The Faculty Senate approves the updated Student Conduct Policy.

**Motion failed. Motion#11/12:52:** The Faculty Senate approves the 2012-2015 Academic Calendars.
Motion#11/12:53: The Faculty Senate approves the Policy for Required On-Campus Visits in Online Courses.

Motion#11/12:54: The Faculty Senate approves the Proctored Exam Policy for Online Courses.

Motion#11/12:55: The Faculty Senate of Florida International University expresses its deep concern over the dramatic reduction in the State of Florida’s contribution to the Florida University System's Optional Retirement Plan (ORP). In the period 2010-2013 it is estimated that this reduction exceeds 50% of the State's original contribution which had been set at a level deemed to offset the higher market risks assumed by ORP's participants. This reduction will impact negatively the lives of many ordinary families throughout Florida. More importantly, it will damage the ability of the State of Florida to retain and attract nationally competitive administrative staff and faculty. In the process, it will erode the quality of higher education in and the economic competitiveness of the State of Florida. This is deplorable and should be brought to the attention of the Governor by the Faculty Senate.

JUNE 12, 2012:


Motion#11/12:57: The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Bulletin #6.

Motion#11/12:58: The Faculty Senate approves the Global Learning Curriculum Oversight Committee Policies and Procedures Revisions

Motion#11/12:59: The Faculty Senate approves the Graduate School Policies Revisions.

Motion#11/12:60: The Faculty Senate approves the Academic Year Calendars for 2012-2015.

Motion#11/12:61: The Faculty Senate approves the Post Enrollment Requirement Checking (PERC) Changes.

Motion#11/12:62: The Faculty Senate approves the nomination of His Majesty Don Juan Carlos for an Honorary Degree.

Motion#11/12:63: The Faculty Senate approves the nomination of Maurice Ferre for an Honorary Degree.