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## Faculty Senate Minutes of April 4, 2017

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The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kathleen Wilson with the following Senators and visitors present:

### **College of Architecture & The Arts**

Jaime Canaves  
Elizabeth Marsh  
Neil Reisner  
Kathleen Wilson

### **College of Arts, Sciences & Education**

Martha Barantovich  
David Chatfield  
Vernon Dickson  
Eric Dwyer  
Michael Gillespie  
Sneh Gulati  
Fenfei Leng  
Krish Jayachandran  
Marcy Kravec  
Teresa Lucas  
John Makemson  
Martha Pelaez  
Joerg Reinhold  
Ellen Thompson  
Enrique Villamor  
Paul Warren  
Dean Whitman  
Hassan Zahedi

### **Absent**

Eric Bishop Von Wettberg  
Ana Luszczynska

### **College of Business Administration**

Elisabeth Beristain  
Deanne Butchey  
Krishnan Dandapani  
C. Delano Gray  
Kenneth Henry  
Cliff Perry  
Clark Wheatley  
**Absent**  
Sushil Gupta

### **College of Engineering**

Malek Adjouadi  
Peter Clarke  
Mark Weiss  
**Absent**  
Hesham Ali  
Mohammed Hadi  
Osama Mohammed  
Berrin Tansel

### **School of Hospitality**

Nathan Dodge  
**Absent**  
Nancy Scanlon

### **College of Law**

**Absent**  
Phyllis Kotey  
Scott Norberg

### **Library**

Eduardo Fojo  
Patricia Pereira-Pujol

### **Wertheim College of Medicine**

Noel Barengo  
Ferdinand Gomez  
Maryse Pedoussaut  
**Absent**  
Sabyasachi Moulik  
Andrea Raymond

### **College of Nursing & Health**

Jennifer Doherty-Restrepo  
Deborah Sherman  
Carmen Caicedo

### **Stempel College of Public Health & Social Work**

Marianna Baum  
William Darrow  
Ray Thomlison

### **School of International and Public Affairs**

Mohamad Alkadry  
Astrid Arraras  
Thomas Breslin  
Alan Gummerson  
Valerie Patterson  
Allan Rosenbaum  
Victor Uribe  
**Absent**  
Eduardo Gamarra

### **Guest:**

Kenneth Furton  
Meredith Newman  
Susan Himburg  
Damaris Valdes  
Bill Anderson  
Miguel Angel Cano  
Jennifer Bartman  
Rocio Benabentos  
Fred Blevens  
Mike Creeden  
Maricel Cigales  
Joyce Fine  
Kimberly Harrison  
Rich Klein  
Gitta Montoto  
Anne Prestamo  
Gray Read  
Maida Watson  
Mary Cossio  
Fiorella Suyon

**FACULTY SENATE AGENDA**  
**TUESDAY APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 – 1:00 PM**

**WERTHEIM CONSERVATORY 130 – MODESTO MAIDIQUE CAMPUS**  
**ACADEMIC CENTER ONE 317 – BISCAYNE BAY CAMPUS**

**Summary:**

Agenda Item	Responsible	Discussion	Action/Vote	Follow-Up
1. <b>Approval of the Agenda</b>	K. Wilson, Chair, Faculty Senate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move E to between A and B</li> </ul>	Moved and approved as amended	N/A
2. <b>Approval of the Minutes of March 21, 2017</b>	K. Wilson, Chair, Faculty Senate		Moved and approved	N/A
3. <b>Chairperson's Report</b>	K. Wilson, Chair, Faculty Senate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•T&amp;P Document</li> <li>•BOT workshop with BOG Chair Tom Kuntz on March 24. Long explanation and justification for performance metrics. Some pushback from one Trustee re: change in cost of degree metric. Ratified CBA unanimously. BOG meeting last week in Tallahassee at FAMU. Highlights from Provost Furton.</li> <li>•AGB. Association of Governing Boards national meeting, April 1-3 in Dallas. Chair Wilson attended. Wilson only FIU trustee that attended this year and last year; very good meeting. Excellent resource. AGB Board members highly professional, understand the Academy, many are former university presidents. This year plenary speakers included Rich Kalgaard from Forbes magazine on innovations and trends that will affect higher ed, also Presidents Michael Crow (ASU) and Freeman Hrabowski (UM Baltimore), Chancellor Nancy Zimpher (SUNY system) and others. Sessions Trustee Wilson attended included Shared Governance, Degree Completion, Advancing Inclusion and Civility, Enterprise Risk Management, Good to Great Board Performance, and Unbundling the Degree (Bootcamps, badges, stackable certificates, etc.). Recommend going to their website for resources, including a series of white papers on Higher Education titled "the Guardian project" to come out every month for the next year. www.AGB.org</li> <li>•Legislation</li> <li>•Gun bill nothing agenda'd. HB 11, de-certifying unions passed in the House; running out of time in the Senate. HB 265 has removed coding as a foreign language! Higher Ed bills: 4 year graduation in Senate, maybe more need-based aid, may sweep up carry-forward</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A

money/reserves and foundation staff salaries. FIU fourth from the bottom but depends on outcome of legislative session, so not announcing rank order yet. What can faculty, staff and students do? Reach out to Anthony Rionda in Govt. Relations at arionda@fiu.edu re: social media. Open twitter account and will receive instructions in what to tweet, and same with facebook.

- Textbook Affordability. In response to the recent Faculty Senate discussion on textbook adoptions, The Office of Faculty and Global Affairs has updated the FIU guide and created a list of FAQs to facilitate the regular adoption process by instructors. (The list will come from Academic Affairs.)
- One significant process adjustment is the default adoption response for course types that are not classified as lectures and labs. In other words, only lectures and labs need an adoption response by the instructor of record. All other course types are assumed automatically as not requiring or recommending course materials. More details are in the attached guide.
- Please note that the faculty, chairs and their respective departmental staff have put in much effort in meeting our compliance threshold
- of 95% on-time adoptions for Summer 2017 (legal deadline was March 24). We are close to full compliance for Summer 2017. Gitta Montoto, Director of Faculty and Global Affairs is here to answer any questions.
- Immigration/DACA . DACA student arrested in Portland, OR, for misdemeanor. Released after ACLU created big response via Facebook. Debrief 3/22 from Immigration Town Hall meeting, with FIU General Counsel, External Relations, President's office, SGA President and Senate Chair. What could we have done better? Outcome: re-iterate that anyone concerned with immigration status should consult the Carlos A. Costa Immigration and Human Rights Clinic (305) 348-7541. Also joint memo re-iterating support and info on clinic went out last week from VP or Student Affairs and Provost. Have asked Senator Scott Norberg to liaise with Clinic to hold open discussions to include specific do's and don'ts such as those articulated by Prof. Eric Camayd in the Town Hall meeting.
- Hearing March 24 on removal of additional CASE language requirement. Stakeholders were invited.
- CARTA held a research/creative activities retreat Fri March 31 in the Kampong. Speakers/facilitators included Director of Research Development Maureen Pelham, Faculty Fellow Rebecca Friedman, and Assoc. Dean of Research in CASE Rita Teutonico. Networking, shared abstracts, and strategies for grant funding. Recommend similar retreats in other colleges.
- Inaugural Faculty Innovation Showcase. Event sponsored and organized by the Faculty Senate Student Success Committee. Friday March 31, 1-5, GC Ballrooms. Roundtable discussions, poster presentations and Keynote speaker Joshua Aronson from NYU. Well-

		<p>attended and successful, lively and engaged conversations, inspiring address from key note speaker. Thank you to Student Success Committee, especially Lianne Wells and Patricia Pereira and support from CAT. Don't miss it next year!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Secretary of Education Betsey DeVos will be on campus Thursday April 6. Will receive briefings about our mission and programs. All members of Trump's cabinet were invited; DeVos accepted.</li> <li>•Faculty Get together. March 31, Faculty Club, 5-7 pm. Last one of the year, well-attended, thank you to the College of Law. Looking forward to our next get-together in September!</li> <li>•Come spend Friday afternoon with your colleagues and celebrate!</li> <li>• Association of Governing Boards (AGB) Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ K. Wilson was the only FIU Trustee in attendance</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Town Hall Meeting on Immigration</li> <li>• Inaugural Faculty Innovation Showcase</li> <li>• Betsy Devose will visit FIU</li> <li>• Textbook Affordability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Gitta Montoto reported that textbook adoptions for Summer 2017 are improved compared to previous years</li> <li>○ Courses that do not require textbooks/materials, the default will be set to indicate this so that no action will be required by the faculty</li> <li>○ Encourage faculty to contact Gitta if there are issues with the Faculty Enlight system</li> <li>○ Encourage faculty to adopt textbooks for Fall 2017</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Some faculty are attempting to adopt older, less expensive book editions; however, bookstore is adopting the most current, more expensive edition</li> <li>○ There is a "notes" section for faculty to indicate that the older editions are acceptable</li> <li>○ Suggest a renegotiation with the bookstore to offer less expensive books</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<p><b>4. Governmental Liaison Report</b></p>	<p>T. Lucas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Florida Legislation</li> <li>•We are halfway through the Legislative Session. The Senate and House presented their budget proposals that differ in the total amount by \$2 billion (83.2-81.2). The Senate budget includes raises of \$1,000 / \$1,400 for state workers. The Senate wants to increase funding for colleges and universities while the House wants to decrease funding.</li> <li>•A couple of bills that concern us have made progress in the House but are stalled in the Senate. HB 11 that calls for the decertification of unions that fall under 50% of eligible membership passed in the House, but companion bill SB 1292 has yet to be placed on the agenda of the first of four committees it has been assigned to. Several gun bills are proceeding through House committees, but SB 622 that would allow concealed weapons</li> </ul>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>

on university and college campuses has not been placed on the agenda of the first of four committees it is assigned to. Miami-Dade Senators Anitere Flores and Rene Garcia have both spoken forcefully against any legislation that would allow guns on campus, drawing the ire of the National Rifle Association.

- HB 265: Related to computer coding. All mention of foreign language requirement being substituted by computer coding classes has been struck from the bill. It's now in the Rules Committee. Companion SB 104 is unchanged and in Rules Committee.
- Bills going nowhere: SB 82 (eliminating in-state tuition for DACA students); SB 478 (waiving meetings related to searches for university and college presidents, provosts and deans from Sunshine Law); SB 900 (state health insurance changes).
- Florida Constitution Review Commission (CRC)
- As mentioned at our last Senate meeting, this commission is formed every 20 years to review the Florida Constitution to make changes. The commission first met in 1997, and then in 1998, when 8 of 9 constitutional amendments proposed were approved by voters. Appointments to this year's commission were made by: Governor (Rick Scott): 15; Senate President (Joe Negron): 9; House Speaker (Richard Corcoran): 9; Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice (Jorge Labarga): 3; The Florida Attorney General (Pam Bondi) is an automatic member.
- The commission is sure to write an amendment to strike the Blaine Amendment from the Constitution. The original Blaine Amendment was proposed for the U.S. Constitution in 1875 by President U.S. Grant, and brought to the House of Representatives by Congressman James Blaine. It passed House 180-7, but failed in the Senate, 4 votes shy of the 2/3 needed to send the amendment for ratification by the states.
- However, 38 states included versions of the Blaine Amendment in their State Constitutions, including Florida in 1885, and in the rewrite of the Constitution in 1968. In 2006, the Florida Supreme Court upheld the Blaine Amendment, as well as Article IX, Section 1a, in Bush v Holmes, when the Legislature attempted to institute a publicly funded voucher program. This ruling prompted a constitutional amendment proposal in 2012 to strike the Blaine Amendment and rewrite Article IX. The proposal was approved by 46% of voters, but amendments must gather 60% support. The CRC is expected to write a similar proposal.
- Blaine Amendment (Art I, Section 3)
- No State shall make any law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; and no money raised by taxation in any State for the support of public schools, or derived from any public fund therefor, nor any public lands devoted thereto, shall ever be under the control of any religious sect; nor shall any money so raised or lands so devoted be divided between religious sects or denominations.
- Article IX, Section 1 provides for a "uniform, efficient, safe, secure, and high quality system

		<p>of free public schools that allows students to obtain a high quality education.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•The CRC will hold a public hearing at here at FIU at the Frost Museum this Thursday, April 6, from 5 -8 p.m. You can read about the first public hearing at the University of Central Florida last week at: <a href="http://floridapolitics.com/archives/234990-constitution-revision-commission-gets-earful-orlando">http://floridapolitics.com/archives/234990-constitution-revision-commission-gets-earful-orlando</a></li> <li>•</li> </ul>		
<p><b>5. UFF Report</b></p>	<p>E. Dwyer, UFF-FIU President</p>	<p><b>Current collective Bargaining Agreement</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.uff-fiu.org/bargaining-agreement/2015-2018_UFF_CBA_FINAL_with_index.pdf">http://www.uff-fiu.org/bargaining-agreement/2015-2018_UFF_CBA_FINAL_with_index.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Facebook page</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.facebook.com/UFF.FIU/">https://www.facebook.com/UFF.FIU/</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>including our post regarding HB 11 and SB 1292:</b></li> </ul> <p><a href="https://www.facebook.com/UFF.FIU/photos/a.201049969969399.48847.123270487747348/1439475292793521/?type=3&amp;theater">https://www.facebook.com/UFF.FIU/photos/a.201049969969399.48847.123270487747348/1439475292793521/?type=3&amp;theater</a></p> <p><b>Membership</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.uff-fiu.org/doc/Membership_Form.pdf">http://www.uff-fiu.org/doc/Membership_Form.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Next UFF-FIU Executive Committee Meeting</b></p> <p>Friday, April 14 12:00 noon – 2:00 pm LC 309</p> <p><b>Legislative Update</b></p> <p><b><u>Florida Constitution Review Commission (CRC)</u></b></p> <p>This commission is formed every 20 years to review the Florida Constitution and propose amendments. In 1998, 8 of 9 proposals were approved. A group of 37 people is assembled to work during two years. Appointments are made as follows: Governor (Rick Scott): 15; Senate President (Joe Negron): 9; House Speaker (Richard Corcoran): 9; Florida Supreme Court Chief Justice (Jorge Labarga): 3; The Florida Attorney General (Pam Bondi) is an automatic member. House Speaker Richard Corcoran is especially interested in seeing an amendment which would result in a reversal of a ruling by Florida Supreme Court in 2006 (Bush v Holmes) that held that expansion of a school voucher program violated Section 9 of the Constitution that provides for a “uniform, efficient, safe, secure, and high quality system of free public schools that allows students to obtain a high quality education.”</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Governor Rick Scott appointed Southwest Florida developer and former U.S. Senate candidate Carlos Beruff to chair the Commission. Beruff has gained considerable influence through large donations to political candidates. As a member of the State College of Florida's (Bradenton) Board of Trustees, he led the successful effort to abolish tenure.

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***ALICE report – Access limited, Income constrained, Employed (United Way)***

In 2014, the United Way compiled a report on the situation facing many Floridians who, though employed, struggle to pay for the basic necessities of food, housing, transportation, healthcare and childcare. In an update this year, the report shows that about six out of 10 Miami-Dade County residents fall into this category, up from 50 percent three years ago. In the report, we see that 67% of jobs in Florida pay less than \$20 an hour. Check out this illuminating report at:

[https://unitedwaymiami.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/17UW-ALICE-Report\\_FL-Update\\_2.14.17\\_Lowres.pdf](https://unitedwaymiami.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/17UW-ALICE-Report_FL-Update_2.14.17_Lowres.pdf)

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Please be sure to check out [our Facebook post and “flyer”](#) showing distinctions between a collective bargaining agreement and an unenforceable bargaining contract.

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**President's report**

***The new Executive Council named***

At the March 7 UFF-FIU Chapter Meeting, an election was held for new officers on the Executive Council. Gene Rosenberg, who assisted us with the details of the vote, reported the following results:

The total number of UFF-FIU Chapter Senators in 2016-2017 was 22; the total number of Chapter Senators allotted to our Chapter by the UFF Office in Tallahassee for 2017-2018 will be 23. The total number of Senators elected at our Chapter meeting on March 7, 2017, is 20. Thus, there are three vacancies for UFF-FIU Chapter Senator. In accordance with our Chapter's By-Laws, these Senator vacancies can be filled by appointment by the UFF-FIU Executive Council.

Chapter Officers

President - Eric Dwyer (Note: As President, is also a UFF-FIU Senator)

Vice President, MMC - vacant

Vice President, BBC - Moses Shumow

Secretary - vacant - Kathy Lineberger has agreed to continue on an interim basis until a new Secretary is named

Treasurer - C. Delano Gray received write-in votes and has agreed to serve as Treasurer

UFF-FIU Senators (20 elected, including the Chapter President and two write-in candidates):

- Ronald Baier
- *Rebecca Bakker\**
- Thomas Breslin
- *James Burns\**
- Deanne Butchey
- Lauren Christos
- Debra Davis
- Tim Downey
- Eric Dwyer - Chapter President; is also a Senator
- C. Delano Gray (write-in)
- Sarah Hammill
- Katherine Lineberger
- Teresa Lucas
- Jorge Rodriguez
- *Kelley Rowan\**
- *Tania Santiago\**
- *Daniel Saunders\**
- Moses Shumow (write-in)
- Richard Tardanico
- *Clark Wheatley\**

*\*Italics indicate new members of the Executive Committee.*



		<p>To Be Determined: The subset of 7 elected UFF-FIU Senators who will also be designated as Florida Education Association (FEA) Delegates.</p> <p>Positions remaining to be filled:  Vice President, MMC  Secretary  UFF-FIU Senators (3)</p> <p>In the meantime, we have to say goodbye to a number of folks, all with our deepest thanks, as they all made contributions to the union—some for a shorter time, and some for the bulk of their FIU careers:</p> <p>Joan Baker, Tovah Bender, Sneh Gulati, Alan Gummerson, Shane Landrum, María Inés Marino, and Marc Weinstein.</p> <p>To them, we say:</p> <p>We're eternally grateful for all you've done, and we're bummed to see you go. We hope to see you and maybe even get to work with you again soon. In the meantime, we wish you super stuff all round.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>		
<b>6. SGA Report</b>	A. Collazo, SGA-MMC President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A. Collazo is not present due to attending FIU Day, no report given</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A
<b>7. Action Items</b>				
A. Faculty Senate Steering Committee	Joerg Reinhold, Vice Chair	<p>i. <b><i>Motion:</i></b> The Faculty Senate approves the changes to the Tenure &amp; Promotion Manual (See attached)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion tabled until June Faculty Senate meeting to allow senators more time to thoroughly review the document</li> <li>• Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ K. Wilson conducted a side-by-side comparison of the new and previous document to verify changes</li> <li>○ CARTA representative suggested the addition of language to better reflect creative works</li> <li>○ N. Reisner sought verification that the above statement would encompass journalism</li> <li>○ M. Adjouadi expressed that language regarding creative works is already implied within the document; prefers broader language to allow interpretation at the departmental level</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Motion tabled until June Faculty Senate meeting</p> <p>Moved and approved</p>	<p>Revise T&amp;P document to reflect the additional statement</p> <p>Place motion on the June agenda</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o M. Newman noted that page 23 contains language to reflect feedback from the Chairs Advisory Council</li> <li>o K. Wilson encouraged Senators to email feedback to her and copy M. Newman</li> </ul>		
B. Faculty Senate Undergraduate Council Committee Motions	Karen Fuller, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves the New Undergraduate Degree Program in Internet of Things (IoT) under the College of Engineering and Computing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o K. Dandapani expressed support for this degree</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>ii. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves the Changes to an Undergraduate Degree Program regarding removal of additional foreign language requirements, from the following degrees, as approved by each department under CASE, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Biological Sciences, B.S.</li> <li>b) Marine Biology, B.S.</li> <li>c) Chemistry, B.A.</li> <li>d) Chemistry, B.S.</li> <li>e) Biochemistry, B.S.</li> <li>f) Earth Sciences, B.A.</li> <li>g) Environmental Studies, B.S.</li> <li>h) Geosciences, B.S.</li> <li>i) Sustainability and the Environment, B.A.</li> <li>j) English, B.A.</li> <li>k) Interdisciplinary Studies, B.A.</li> <li>l) Liberal Studies, B.A.</li> <li>m) Statistics, B.S.</li> <li>n) Mathematics, B.A.</li> <li>o) Mathematical Sciences, B.S.</li> <li>p) Philosophy, B.A.</li> <li>q) Physics (including tracks &amp; concentrations), B.S.</li> <li>r) Physics (including tracks &amp; concentrations), B.A.</li> <li>s) <b>Psychology, B.A.</b></li> <li>t) Women’s and Gender Studies, B.A.</li> <li>u) All degrees under CASE, B.A. (foreign language requirements)</li> <li>v) All degrees under CASE, B.S. (foreign language requirements)</li> <li>w) All degrees under CASE, B.A. (reduction of upper division credit requirements)</li> <li>x) All degrees under CASE, B.S. (reduction of upper division credit requirements)</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Erik Camayd-Freixas shared his opinion that the motion is misleading with the word “additional”; he also stated that the rationale for requiring only the state minimum</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Moved and approved	Moved and approved as amended (noted in red) 20 in favor 17 opposed 1 abstention

for foreign language is lacking

- Erik Camayd-Freixas noted that the Ad Hoc Committee has offered a number of proposals to consider, such as lowering the credits of foreign language courses from 5 to 3 credits, no credit options, and pass/fail; these proposals have not been fully vetted
- Erik Camayd-Freixas expressed concern about reducing standards
- D. Whitman noted that departments voted on this issue; therefore, faculty governance did occur; 80% of faculty voted to remove the additional foreign language requirements
- P. Pereira-Pujol expressed her surprise that faculty voted to remove the additional foreign language requirement given the global perspective of FIU
- J. Reinhold reiterated the state foreign language requirements, including the acceptance of high school foreign language coursework
- H. Zahedi-Jasbi noted his support for foreign language and summarized deliberation process that occurred in his department; his department works with academic advisors to recommend foreign language courses as electives; he expressed that excess credit hours is not in the best interest of the students or the University
- Pascal Becel noted that the foreign language in high school is not standardized; therefore, it is a problem to revert to the minimum state requirements; shared her opinion that foreign language is being targeted; her unit is looking into other options for offering/requiring foreign language
- T. Breslin noted that the Faculty Senate owns the curriculum; therefore, faculty voting at the department level is not faculty governance in and of itself
- T. Breslin expressed that B.A. degrees should require an adequate foreign language base; he is willing to consider removing the additional foreign language requirements for B.S. degrees
- T. Breslin suggested that the motion is poorly written and should be voted down
- T. Breslin moved to table the motion
- S. Gulati reiterated H. Zahedi-Jasbi's point in that this motion is putting CASE in-line with University-wide foreign language requirements
- A. Rosenbaum questioned as to whether or not this would be an issue if foreign language remained in SIPA rather than CASE; he also expressed his opinion that extra education is not a bad thing
- Provost Furton clarified the process in that a new College was formed (CASE) and that the curriculum should be developed within each Department through faculty governance
- Provost Furton noted that Faculty Senate is responsible for University-wide requirements in consultation with the Chief Academic Officer
- Provost Furton agrees that foreign language is important; he noted that courses are

- required; however, competency is not
- Provost Furton supports exploring other ways to promote the attainment of a second language in a way that does not lead to excess credits or a delay in graduation
  - M. Pelaez noted her divided position regarding this issue; she understands the excess credit and delayed graduation concerns; however, she ultimately supports keeping the additional foreign language requirements
  - M. Kravec noted that foreign language competency is the real issue rather than the number of foreign language credits; suggested the real need is to examine the University-wide foreign language requirements rather than from the stand point of one College
  - K. Wilson noted her agreement with T. Breslin in that the curriculum belongs to the faculty
  - K. Wilson supports that the foreign language requirement should be examined University-wide from a competency perspective
  - D. Gray stated that more discussion is needed; others respectfully disagreed and noted that more than sufficient time was given for faculty to discuss, deliberate, and vote on this issue
  - M. Weiss noted that the reality is the departments have to build curricula within 120 credits; he trusts the faculty in the departments within CASE and supports the outcome of the votes on this issue
  - M. Wheatley called the question
  - J. Reinhold made the following motion:
    - **Motion:** The Faculty Senate shall form a task force committee with broad representation to revisit the UCC with respect to the inclusion of foreign language as a requirement or option.
    - **Amended Motion:** The Faculty Senate and Academic Affairs shall form a Foreign Language Work Group with broad representation to examine language acquisition requirement(s).
    - Discussion:
      - S. Himburg shared that the UCCOC does not have University-wide representation; therefore, this committee would not be appropriate to carry out this charge, in her opinion
      - F. Blevens suggested that a special committee be formed to examine this issue in collaboration with the Provost's Office
      - E. Beristain noted that some FIU students have a poor command of the English language; so what constituted a foreign language?
      - H. Zahedi-Jasbi supports that some FIU students struggle with English proficiency; moved to amend the motion to include the development of

		<p>a task force, including faculty and administrators, from all units</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A. Gummerson seconded the amendment</li> <li>• S. Himburg suggested not using the “second tier” language</li> <li>• M. Weiss expressed his concern about opening</li> <li>• Provost offered to form a Foreign Language Work Group with broad representation to explore possibilities for second and third language acquisition; other possibilities include badges, modules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will be charged with developing recommendations within a specific timeline</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Moved and approved as amended	Form the Foreign Language Work Group to examine language acquisition
C. Faculty Senate Graduate Council Committee Motions	Alok Deoraj, Chair	<p>i. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves the New Graduate Track in International Development under degree name Master of Arts in Global Affairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No one present to speak to the motion</li> </ul> <p>ii. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves the Establish Unit-Specific Graduate Admissions Standards under the School of Computing and Information Sciences as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Master of Science in Computer Science</li> <li>b) Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science</li> <li>c) Combined BS/MS in Computer Science</li> <li>d) Master of Science in Information Technology</li> <li>e) Master of Science in Telecommunications and Networking</li> </ol> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M. Weiss spoke to this motion</li> </ul> <p>iii. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves the New Graduate Degree Program Doctor of Athletic Training, under the College of Nursing and Health Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• J. Doherty-Restrepo spoke to this motion</li> </ul>	Motion tabled	N/A
			Moved and approved	
D. Faculty Senate Global Learning Curriculum Oversight Committee Motions	George Pearson, Chair	<p>i. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves the following Global Learning Committee proposals from Curriculum Bulletin 5:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Approval of Global Learning designation for the following courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– MAR 4712 – Health and Fitness Marketing</li> <li>– HIS 3308 – War and Society in the 20th Century</li> </ul> </li> <li>b) <i>Removal</i> of Global Learning designation from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– IDS 3315 – Loosening Cultural Comfort, Gaining Global Perspectives</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Clarification was requested as to how Health and Fitness Marketing qualifies for</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Moved and approved	N/A

		global learning; answer provided by George Pearson		
E. Faculty Senate University Core Curriculum Oversight Committee Motion	Joann Brown, Chair • Presented by K. Jayachandran	ii. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves removing MET 2010 and MET 2010L (Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics) from Category Two of the Science section of the Core Curriculum per a request from the College of Arts, Sciences, and Education (CASE), and approval by Department • Discussion: ○ P. Warren inquired about the necessary steps to communicate with the Department of Education regarding the removal of a course from the core curriculum; the process is different relative to global learning courses	Moved and approved	N/A
F. Faculty Senate University Curriculum Committee	Fred Blevens, Chair	i. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate approves Curriculum Bulletin #5	Moved and approved	N/A
G. Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Foreign Language	Eric Dwyer, Chair	i. <b>Motion:</b> The Faculty Senate endorses the resolution in opposition to legislation allowing two credits of computer coding courses to substitute for foreign language study (SB 104), as follows:  <b>“Resolution of the Florida International University Faculty Senate in opposition to legislation allowing two credits of computer coding courses to substitute for foreign language study (SB 104)</b>  <b>Whereas</b> , the Faculty Senate of the Florida International University (FIU) is the primary faculty advisory body on matters pertaining to the welfare of the university; and  <b>Whereas</b> , the FIU Faculty Senate is concerned about the global competitiveness and cross- cultural competence of its students; and  <b>Whereas</b> , those who study foreign languages enjoy a multitude <sup>1</sup> of cognitive <sup>2</sup> , affective <sup>3</sup> , and social <sup>4</sup> benefits, and are more competitive on a global scale; and  <b>Whereas</b> , the proposed legislation would require college system institutions and state universities to accept these computer coding credits (2) as foreign language credits; and  <b>Whereas</b> , the Florida Department of Education would be responsible for the oversight of the computer coding courses that would count for credit, potentially without representation from the higher education institutions that would be required to accept these courses; and	Moved and approved	

		<p><b>Whereas</b>, students could take these computer coding courses at the Florida Virtual School if their high schools do not offer them, and college system institutions and state universities would likewise be required to accept these computer coding credits; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, coding is not a language, but a series of instructions to a machine; computer "languages" are based on mathematical logic and are called "languages" only metaphorically; they are not actual languages any more than the "cloud" is a real cloud; and</p> <p><b>Whereas</b>, Florida is a multicultural state<sup>5</sup>, foreign language study is imperative in fostering an appreciation for all of its citizens; therefore</p> <p><b>Be it resolved</b> that the FIU Faculty Senate strongly opposes the substitution of computer coding courses for foreign language courses.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Thompson, A.S. (2016). How learning a new language improves tolerance. The Conversation. <a href="https://theconversation.com/how-learning-a-new-language-improves-tolerance-68472">https://theconversation.com/how-learning-a-new-language-improves-tolerance-68472</a></li> <li>2. Valian, V. (2015). Bilingualism and cognition. Bilingualism: Language and Cognition, 18(1), 3–24. doi: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1017/S1366728914000522">https://doi.org/10.1017/S1366728914000522</a></li> <li>3. Dewaele, J.-M. &amp; Wei, L. (2013). Is multilingualism linked to a higher tolerance of ambiguity? Bilingualism: Language and Cognition, 16(1), 231–240. doi: 10.1017/S1366728912000570</li> <li>4. Nguyen, H.T. &amp; Kellogg, G. (2010). “I had a stereotype that American were fat”: Becoming a speaker of culture in a second language. Modern Language Journal, 94(1), 56–73. doi: 10.1111/j.1540-4781.2009.00983.x</li> <li>5. Ryan, C. (2013). Language use in the United States: 2011. United States Census Bureau, 1–16. Accessed 17 June 2016 at <a href="https://www.census.gov/prod/2013pubs/acs-22.pdf">https://www.census.gov/prod/2013pubs/acs-22.pdf</a></li> </ol>		
H. End-of-Year Reports		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Gordon Rule Oversight and Writing Across the Curriculum Ad Hoc, Jennifer Bartman, Chair &amp; Kimberly Harrison, Co-Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See attached report</li> </ul> </li> <li>b) Student Learning &amp; Success Committee, Patricia Pereira-Pujol, Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See attached report</li> </ul> </li> <li>c) Library Committee, Joyce Fine, Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See attached report</li> </ul> </li> <li>d) Research, Scholarship, Creative Activities &amp; Engagement Committee, Eric Bishop von Wettberg, Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• See attached report</li> <li>• Discussion:</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	N/A	N/A

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Committee recommends forming an ad hoc committee to examine the future of tenure at FIU and in high education in general</li> <li>○ M. Pelaez noted the importance of considering accreditation requirements within this context as well</li> </ul> <p>e) Nominating Committee, Krishnan Dandapani, Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● See attached report</li> </ul>		
<b>8. Provost's Report</b>	K. Furton, Provost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● BOT Budget Workshop was held March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All FIU Trustees, BOG Chair T. Kuntz, and Chancellor M. Criser were in attendance</li> </ul> </li> <li>● BOG and Performance Based Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Provosts submitted recommendation that any new or modified performance based funding metric not be implemented for one year; T. Kuntz said he will take that into consideration but noted that he did not agree</li> <li>○ BOG will not provide rankings to universities because there may be a change in the metrics; particularly the 4-year graduation rate which will be retroactive</li> <li>○ If this occurs, FIU will be in the bottom three</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ BOT voted unanimously to ratify the CBA</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Vice Provost, AIM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Search and Screen committee has made recommendations</li> <li>○ Provost hopes to make announcement soon</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Dean of the College of Engineering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Announcement was sent via email</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Torch Awards Gala <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Event held on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017</li> <li>○ Large alumni donation was given to the School of Construction</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Immigration Clinical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Encourage students to seek assistance from the clinical in the Law School</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Great Colleges to Work For Survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Response rate is a bit low</li> <li>○ Encourage faculty to participate</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Preeminence Metrics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ahead of schedule in reaching some metrics</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Provost being inducted into the National Academy of Inventors as a Fellow</li> <li>● Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Peter Clarke thanked Provost for movement on the F&amp;E return</li> <li>○ M. Wheatley asked what happened to the old score board that was in the stadium</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<b>9. Unfinished</b>	All	None	N/A	N/A



<b>Business</b>				
<b>10. New Business</b>	All	None	N/A	N/A

**Announcements**

The next Faculty Senate meeting is on Tuesday, **June 13, 2017** at 1:00pm WC 130 in MMC and with videoconferencing to AC1-317 in BBC. All are invited. The next meeting of the Steering Committee is on Tuesday, **June 6, 2017** at 1:00pm in GL 835 in MMC and with videoconferencing to HL 210 in BBC.