



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

MINUTES
Educational Programs Committee
University of Central Florida
Board of Trustees
March 16, 2017
FAIRWINDS Alumni Center

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Robert Garvy, chair of the Educational Programs Committee, called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Committee members Keith Koons and Beverly Seay were present. Committee member Ken Bradley attended via teleconference. Also present were Chairman Marcos Marchena and trustee David Walsh.

MINUTES

The January 13, 2017, meeting minutes were approved as written.

NEW BUSINESS

Conferral of Degrees (EPC-1)

Dale Whittaker, Provost and Executive Vice President, requested approval for the spring 2017 conferral of degrees. A motion to recommend the conferral of degrees to the Board of Trustees was unanimously approved.

2019-20 Proposed Academic Calendar (EPC-2)

Paige Borden, Associate Provost for Academic Program Quality and Associate Vice President for Institutional Knowledge Management, presented the 2019-20 proposed academic calendar for approval. The calendar meets the minimum requirement of classroom instruction days required by state regulations, and it was reviewed and approved by the UCF Academic Calendar Committee. A motion to recommend the 2019-20 Proposed Academic Calendar to the Board of Trustees was unanimously approved.

New Degree Programs (EPC-3a-d)

Elizabeth Klonoff, Vice President for Research and Dean of the College of Graduate Studies, presented the Ph.D. degree in big data analytics program and the Ph.D. degree in integrative anthropological sciences program degrees. A motion to recommend these new degree programs to the Board of Trustees was unanimously approved.

Elizabeth Dooley, Dean of the College of Undergraduate Studies and Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning, presented the B.A. and B.S. degree programs in nonprofit management and the B.S. degree program in environmental studies. A motion to recommend these new degree programs to the Board of Trustees was unanimously approved.

2015-16 UCF Annual Accountability Report to the Board of Governors (EPC-4)

Borden provided an overview of UCF's annual accountability report to the Board of Governors. This report includes a dashboard of UCF's performance on key metrics; lists key achievements of UCF faculty members, students, and programs; and presents a narrative outlining the ways in which UCF meets the Board of Governors established strategic goals related to teaching and learning, scholarship, research and innovation, and community and business engagement. The report also shows progress on meeting institutional goals established in the UCF work plan and additional metrics included in the performance-based funding model. A motion to recommend the 2015-16 Annual Accountability Report to the Board of Trustees was unanimously approved.

Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Code Changes (EPC-5)

Borden informed the committee that the College of Education and Human Performance is consolidating six bachelor's level degree programs into two programs titled teacher education and secondary education. The B.S. degree in art education and the B.S. degree in world languages education will become tracks within the B.S. degree in teacher education program. The B.S. degree programs in English language arts education, mathematics education, science education, and social science education will become tracks within the secondary education degree program. A motion to recommend the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) code changes to the Board of Trustees was unanimously approved.

New Instructional Site – Valencia College East (INFO-1)

Borden delivered the university plans to expand its successful partnership with Valencia College by adding criminal justice programming at the Valencia College East campus and at Valencia College's School of Public Safety. By expanding collaborative ties between the two institutions, UCF students will gain access to specialized facilities, equipment, and experiences associated with the Valencia College School of Public Safety. This facility serves as the primary site for law enforcement training, education, and ongoing certification among criminal justice professionals in Central Florida.

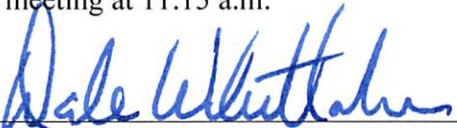
Provost's Update

Whittaker provided the following updates.

- **Faculty Spotlight: UCF Planetary Exploration (INFO-2)** – Whittaker introduced Professor Humberto Campins, Pegasus Professor of Physics and Astronomy in the Department of Physics, College of Sciences. Dr. Campins studies asteroids, comets, and other small bodies in the solar system. This research is funded by NASA and by the National Science Foundation. Campins is a co-investigator on NASA's OSIRIS-Rex sample return mission to a near-Earth Asteroid. He is also a co-investigator in UCF's new Center for Lunar and Asteroid Surface Science funded by NASA's Solar System Exploration Research Virtual Institute. He was the lead of one of two teams to discover water ice and organics on the surface of an asteroid.
- **U.S. News & World Report Rankings** – Whittaker updated the committee on UCF's latest *U.S. News & World Report* graduate school rankings, which placed 22 UCF degree programs in the top 100 programs in the nation.

- Siemens Digital Grid Lab – Whittaker reported on the opening of the new Siemens Digital Grid Lab in the College of Engineering and Computer Science. The lab features cutting-edge technology used by many private and public utilities to manage the nation’s power systems. He gave a brief update on his visit to SXSWedu to present information about UCF’s unique digital learning and its contribution to student success. UCF has found that students taking a majority of their courses online complete their degree faster, and students who take fully online or blended courses have higher success rates.

Trustee Garvy adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:  6/6/2017
A. Dale Whittaker Date
Provost and Executive Vice President