



MINUTES
Educational Programs Committee
University of Central Florida
Board of Trustees
July 23, 2015
FAIRWINDS Alumni Center
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CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Robert Garvy, chair of the Educational Programs Committee, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Committee members Richard Crotty and Cait Zona were present. Committee members Keith Koons and Ray Gilley attended via teleconference. Board of Trustees Chair Olga Calvet was present.

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The minutes from the May 21, 2015, meeting were approved as written.

NEW BUSINESS

Conferral of Degrees (EPC-1)

A. Dale Whittaker, Provost and Executive Vice President, requested approval for the Summer 2015 conferral of degrees. A motion to recommend the conferral of degrees was approved.

Tenure with Hire (EPC-2)

There was a discussion on the process for granting tenure to individuals who have come from outside of the university and whose credentials have been reviewed using the university's standards for tenure.

Whittaker requested tenure for the following 28 recently hired faculty members:

- Dr. Mindi Anderson, associate professor, College of Nursing
- Dr. Vladimir Boginski, associate professor, Department of Industrial Engineering and Management Systems
- Dr. Giselle Carnaby, professor, Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Dr. Pamela Carroll, professor, School of Teaching Learning and Leadership
- Dr. James Combs, professor, Department of Management
- Dr. Michael Crary, professor, Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Dr. Joseph Donoghue, associate professor, Department of Physics
- Dr. Elizabeth Dooley, professor, Department of Child, Family, and Community Sciences
- Dr. Joellen Edwards, associate professor, College of Nursing
- Dr. Brian Fisak, associate professor, Department of Psychology
- Dr. David Harrison, professor, Department of Finance and Dr. P. Phillips School of Real Estate
- Dr. Su-I Hou, professor, Department of Health Management and Informatics
- Dr. Catherine Kaukinen, professor, Department of Criminal Justice
- Dr. Kathleen King, professor, Department of Child, Family, and Community Sciences
- Mr. Eric Merriam, professor, Department of Legal Studies
- Dr. Matt Nobles, associate professor, Department of Criminal Justice

- Dr. Harry Paarsch, professor, Department of Economics
- Dr. Harvey Philpotts, professor, Department of English
- Dr. Deanna Sellnow, professor, Nicholson School of Communication
- Dr. Timothy Sellnow, professor, Nicholson School of Communication
- Dr. Margaret Ann Shillingford-Butler, associate professor, Department of Child, Family, and Community Sciences
- Dr. Mindy Shoss, associate professor, Department of Psychology
- Dr. Ajai Singh, professor, Department of Finance and Dr. P. Phillips School of Real Estate
- Dr. Sevil Sonmez, professor, Department of Tourism, Events, and Attractions
- Dr. Chris Stewart, associate professor, School of Social Work
- Dr. Güneş Murat Tezcür, associate professor, Department of Political Science
- Dr. Michele Upvall, professor, College of Nursing
- Dr. Liqiang Wang, associate professor, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Amendment to University Regulation UCF-2.032 Textbook Adoption (EPC-3)

Youndy Cook, Deputy General Counsel, requested approval to amend University Regulation UCF-2.032 Textbook Adoption to update the name of the form used to report a conflict of interest concerning the use of a textbook written by the instructor of a course, by a relative of the instructor, or by a team of authors which includes the instructor, where the instructor anticipates receiving royalties from materials purchased by students enrolled in the course. Possible mitigation actions are also incorporated into this regulation.

Program Productivity Review - Diane Chase, Vice Provost for Academic Program Quality, asked the deans of the colleges of undergraduate studies, graduate studies, sciences, and engineering and computer sciences, as well as a representative from education and human performance, to join the committee to answer questions the board may have regarding program productivity. The Board of Governors Regulation 8.004 requires that Board staff work with the Council of Academic Vice Presidents to review proposed and existing programs to facilitate collaboration, articulation, and coordination of academic program delivery across the State University System. This activity consists of two parts: review of pre-proposals for new degree programs under consideration; and, review of existing degree programs from the perspective of productivity and viability.

This year's review builds on earlier work and includes data related to enrollments and degrees awarded in each approved degree program by Classification of Instruction Code and by level for the last five academic years.

UCF submitted an action plan to the Board of Governors for three programs: the bachelor's degree in foreign language teacher education; the master's degree in forensic science and technology; and the doctoral degree in environmental health engineering.

Provost's Update

Whittaker provided the following updates.

- **Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Reaffirmation** – Whittaker introduced Dr. Steven Sheeley, Vice President with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. Sheeley spoke about the importance of accreditation and the Board of Trustees role in the reaffirmation process.

- **New Deans** – Whittaker reported the following new deans:
 - Dr. Pamela Carrol, dean of the College of Education and Human Performance
 - Dr. Elizabeth Dooley, Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning and Dean of the College of Undergraduate Studies
 - Dr. Mubarak Shah, Interim Dean of the College of Graduate Studies
 - Dr. Mary Lou Sole, Dean of the College of Nursing
- **Faculty Hires** – Over the course of two years, UCF is using Board of Governors performance-based funding to hire approximately 400 new faculty. Of the 400 hires, 200 are replacement faculty and 200 are new lines. A preponderance of the new lines will be tenure-track positions. This will increase UCF's tenured and tenure-earning faculty members by 25 percent.
- **Faculty Clusters** – The Faculty Cluster Initiative was created last year to encourage university-wide interdisciplinary scholarship, educational opportunities, and collaboration. An evaluation panel of internal and external area experts selected six of the 40 proposals that were submitted by faculty members. These clusters are
 - cyber security and privacy
 - renewable energy
 - coastal systems
 - genomics and bioinformatics
 - prosthetics
 - energy conversion and propulsion.

Trustee Garvy adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

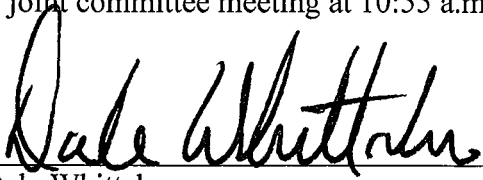
Joint Meeting: Trustee Calvet called the meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee and the Educational Programs Committee to order at 10:30 a.m.

A. Dale Whittaker, Provost and Executive Vice President, provided an update on UCF Downtown that will expand UCF's presence and academic program offerings in downtown Orlando. This project has been guided by three values: creating impact, expanding access, and cultivating innovation.

William Merck, II, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, updated the committees on the facilities for UCF Downtown, including housing and parking. To supplement state funding, UCF is exploring additional financing options, including corporate and community philanthropy.

Whittaker thanked the Board of Trustees for its continued support of the project.

Trustee Calvet adjourned the joint committee meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:  9/10/15
 A. Dale Whittaker Date
 Provost and Executive Vice President