



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

MINUTES
Board of Trustees
Educational Programs Committee
July 19, 2018
Fairwinds Alumni Center

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Robert Garvy, chair of the Educational Programs Committee, called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. Committee members Josh Boloña, Ken Bradley, Beverly Seay, and Bill Self were present. Trustees Joseph Conte, John Lord and William Yeargin were also present.

MINUTES

The May 24, 2018, meeting minutes were approved as written.

NEW BUSINESS

2018 Tenure with Hire (EPC-1)

Jana Jasinski, Vice Provost for Faculty Excellence, presented the list of faculty members suggested for tenure with hire. Each year, faculty members that have been hired with tenure earned at their previous institution; as well as those having tenure as part of the hiring package, are considered for tenure based on UCF's requirements. A motion to recommend tenure with hire received unanimous approval.

Academic Degree Program Termination – Master of Science in Conservation Biology (EPC-2)

Paige Borden, Associate Provost for Academic Program Quality and Associate Vice President for Institutional Knowledge Management submitted for approval, the Academic Degree Program Termination for Master of Science in Conservation Biology. The termination of this degree program is based on low enrollment. A motion to recommend termination of the Master of Science in Conservation Biology received unanimous approval.

Conferral of Degrees (EPC-3)

Elizabeth Dooley, Interim Provost requested approval for summer 2018 conferral of degrees. A motion to recommend the conferral of degrees received unanimous approval.

Doctoral Analysis (INFO-1)

Paige Borden and Elizabeth Klonoff, Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies presented analysis of UCF's program variety, comparison to other institutions, and the process for how UCF determines what programs to develop.

Provost's Update

- **Faculty Spotlight (INFO-2)**
Interim Provost Dooley introduced Dr. Megan Nickels, Assistant Professor, STEM Education, College of Community Innovation and Education. Dr. Nickels discussed funding received for her groundbreaking research for hands-on STEM content with robotics and virtual reality for children with critical and terminal illnesses. Nickels also shared information on the Pediatric Interest Group-Education (pig-e) student organization.
- **Valencia College – Notice of Intent – New Baccalaureate Degree - Applied Science (INFO-3)**
Dooley informed the trustees of a memorandum received by Florida Board of Governors from the Chancellor of the Florida College System, notifying that State College of Florida, Valencia College submitted a Notice of Intent to develop a proposal for offering a new baccalaureate degree program. There were no objections to the proposed degree or alternative proposals for consideration.
- **UCF Updates:**
Dooley updated the board on the following additional items:
- **Research Funding**
UCF's growth in research funding made a big step toward reaching its Collective Impact Strategic Plan goal in research funding by 2020.
- **New Academic Colleges and Schools**
Effective July 2, UCF launched two new colleges and a new school, which will prepare students for the workplace by providing new opportunities for interdisciplinary learning and research: Several programs in the College of Community Innovation and Education, and Nicholson School of Communication and Media will become a part of UCF Downtown when that campus opens in fall of 2019.
- **Civic Literacy**
The 2017 Florida Legislature amended state statutes to require students initially entering any institution within the State University or Florida College Systems beginning this fall demonstrate competency in civic literacy. Meeting graduation requirements will require students show an understanding of several civil literacy doctrines.

Chairman Garvy adjourned the meeting at 12.02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: _____
Elizabeth A. Dooley
Interim Provost

Date