Steering Committee Meeting
Minutes for August 11, 2005

Dr. Manoj Chopra, Chair, called this Steering Committee meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Minutes of the April 7, 2005 meeting were unanimously approved.


Members absent: Drs. David Workman, Thomas Wu and Diane Wink.

Guests: Dr. John Schell, Lin Huff-Corzine, Provost Terry Hickey and Patricia Bishop.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SELECTED ITEMS DISCUSSED

- ACFS elected Arlen Chase as Chair of the group and elected to the Board of Governors, for next year.
- Bob Pennington will continue to serve as Parliamentarian.
- UCF will host the Board of Governors, September 15, 2005.

Provost Hickey – no report

OLD BUSINESS

Sabbatical and Summer Teaching Assignments
Make sure sabbaticals and summer teaching policy is being adhered to based on the new contract. The Provost had conversations with the Deans and informed them of the policy. It was requested that Dr. Huff-Corzine provide an update for each college, confirming that it had been followed be reported to the committee.

Objection from the Film Department on Resolution 2004-2005-3
Department of Film had objected to the new policy adopted by Senate, Resolution 2004-05-3. Dr. Bishop indicated that the issue was related to SACS approval and faculty lacking academic (degree) background. Provost Hickey gave a brief overview of SACS review specifically related to faculty qualifications. The Provost indicated that the only colleges with “clean” qualifications at this time were Optics and BCBS. Motion to send the objection to the Graduate Council Committee for further update. Made, seconded and approved.

“Award Programs” of TIP/SoTL/RIA
Dr. Lin-Huff Corzine circulated a chart recounting TIP award information summary sheet by college. Dr. Joels gave an overview of 10-year recipient list as a percentage of the larger faculty pool. Dr. Cook gave report form ad hoc committee (Cook and Wink). A resolution was developed by the Steering Committee to present to the full faculty Senate to continue the awards as currently configured. Resolution reads as follow:

Resolution 2005-2006-1 TIP/SoTL Awards

Whereas, the issue has been raised to recommend decreasing the number of TIP and SoTL awards by half,

Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate recommends that these awards continue to be awarded at their current numbers.

Motion to send resolution to the full senate. Made, seconded and approved.
New Business

Proposal for new Medical School
Dr. Bishop reported the new Medical School proposal was approved. Provost Hickey said BOG wants full proposal presentation in November. Both UCF and FIU will send full proposal to BOG staff, September 15, 2005. A resolution was developed by the Steering Committee to present to the full faculty Senate in support of UCF’s new Medical School. Resolution reads as follow:

Resolution 2005-2006-2 Establish a College of Medicine

Whereas, the University of Central Florida is preparing a proposal to establish a College of Medicine,

Be it resolved that the Faculty Senate strongly supports this action.

Motion to send resolution to the full senate. Made, seconded and approved.

Select Standing Committee Liaisons
Liaison for Senate Standing Committees: The following steering committee members were selected as liaisons for the standing committees:
- UPCC – Robert Pennington
- Graduate Council – Henry Daniell
- Personnel – Janice Peterson (however, she is not Associate, and will need to be replaced.) Any volunteers?
- Budget & Administration – Keith Koons

Establish a Steering Commencement Contacts
- College of Health and Public Affairs - Janice Peterson
- College of Arts & Sciences - Melody Bowdon
- College of Business Administration – Robert Pennington
- Burnett College of Biomedical Sciences – Henry Daniell
- Rosen College of Hospitality Management – Robin DiPietro
- College of Education – Rosie Joels
- College of Engineering & Computer Sciences – Manoj Chopra

Other Issues

Committee on Committee convened to complete committee assignments.

ADJOURNED

Motion to adjourn made, seconded and approved. Meet adjourned at 5:45 PM.