

I. FPC COMMITTEE CHANGES

Proposal: The FPC will experiment with a revised committee structure for 2007-2008, collect feedback about the effectiveness of this structure, and propose constitutional revisions, if warranted, in spring of 2008.

Revised committees:

Faculty and Budgetary Affairs will operate as 2 committees, Faculty Affairs and Budgetary Affairs.

The **Elections Committee** will have expanded duties, including managing elections for the UF Faculty Senate and the COE Tenure and Promotion Committee (started spring 2007).

New committees:

The **Shared Governance Advisory Committee** will assess the status of shared governance in the COE, including such tasks as conducting deans' evaluations and the annual evaluation of the effectiveness of shared governance in the COE, and providing feedback to COE faculty and deans and to the UF Senate. These tasks had been managed by the Long-Range Planning Committee.

The **Distance Education Task Force** will work with Chris Sessums on the oversight and management of self-supporting distance learning programming for the COE. Tasks have been identified related to guidelines for faculty compensation, teaching load, and class size; additional tasks may be identified. The task force will report at FPC meetings. Chris Sessums will recruit members based on faculty member interest in participation.

Committees on hiatus:

The **Long-Range Planning Committee** will be on hiatus for 2007-2008. The FPC will assume a collective responsibility for long range planning and will involve the faculty through such means as task forces, departments, and monthly FPC meetings.

The **Student Recruitment, Admissions, and Petitions Committee** will be on hiatus for 2007-2008. Admissions issues will be managed by individual departments, and petitions issues (there have been 2 in 2 years) will be managed through the Office of Graduate Studies. The issue of improving student recruitment will be addressed by a task force led by the Office of Recruitment, Retention, and Multicultural Affairs. Graduate Coordinators will participate in this effort. The task force will report at FPC meetings.