

## FPC Meeting

October 20, 2025

2:00pm Rosenberg Room

### Attendees

Chair & Chair Elect: Tara Mathien, Caitie Galligane

HDOSE: Lindsay Byron, Sara Jean-Philippe, Tuuli Robinson, Melissa Mariani

SESPECS: Katy Chapman, Kyena Cornelius, Hannah Matthews, Alyce Kay Emery

STL: Sara Smith, Brady Nash, Avery Closser, Lori Dassa

### Attended Via Zoom:

Magdi Castaneda

### Absent:

Nelson Brunsting

### Welcome

### Approval of the Agenda

Meeting called to order at 2:03 pm. Motion to approve agenda by Brady Nash at 2:04 pm. Sara Smith seconded with consensus of the group. No abstentions or objections.

### Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes (September 9/15/25)

Motion to approve September minutes by Caitie Galligane at 2:05 pm. Seconded by Kyena Cornelius and approved by consensus of the group. Minutes stand approved at 2:05 pm.

### Announcements/Reminders:

N/A

## Deans' Reports

### Associate Dean Thomasenia Adams

- 4 awards in September: ~\$580,000
- 21 proposals submitted
- Active awards
  - Teacher/Scholar of the Year (due to OER Nov 20)
  - ROSF (in progress)
  - AI Research Awards (nomination in progress)
  - ASEMFL (nomination in progress)
  - International Educator of the Year (nomination in progress)
  - Global Excellence Award (to be announced)
  - Sabbatical (in progress)
  - Professional Development Leave (in progress)
  - Academy of Distinguished Teaching Scholars (to be announced)
- OER Professional Development
  - Term Professorship Panel, hosted by Dr. Ana Puig (Oct 28 at 11:00am in Rosenberg Room)
  - All Things Tenure and Promotion, hosted by Associate Dean Thomasenia Adams (Nov 12 at 11am on Zoom)
  - OER & COE Development Office, hosted by Dr. Ana Puig (Nov 19 at 11:00am in Rosenberg Room)

### Associate Dean Elayne Colón

- Hosted college recognition dinner on Thursday
  - Well attended
  - Honored 2025-2026 scholarship awardees
  - Donors, faculty, scholarship winners attended
  - Thank you to faculty scholarship committee who review applications
  - New scholarship committee coming soon
    - Spread the word across colleges
    - Need 12-15 faculty
    - Start work early spring
- SAM Academic management initiative
  - Overhauling student management information systems
  - Platform rebranding – My Gator Path
  - Pause on submitting anything related to curriculum for 2 months

- Course scheduling – catalog degree audits at grad and undergrad level
- Building schedules, registration, and room allocations are on the list over next 2-3 years that will be changing
- Beginning with course approvals in November
- Members of college involved as situation evolves
- EduGator staffing update
  - Earl Alvarez has moved to main campus in UFO office
  - Questions or needs that would have gone to Earl, reach out to Aaron.
  - Interviewing officer and who will help students with petitions – moved to Alexis

### Associate Dean Erica McCray

- Searches are underway
- Individual check ins with all new faculty were held over the last two months
- Planning a check in/workshop for mentors
- Developed framework to support mentors
- Gathering information on post-doc expectations/experiences
- Waiting to hear more from HR on Return to Work
- Oct 31: open enrollment ends, if you supervise staff do UF engaged check ins
- Oct 31: Fall/Halloween Recess in college with PK VPK students
  - Door and office decorating contest (2 categories)
- Nov 17-21: International Education Week

### Dean Glenn Good

- Interim president attended Scholarship and Awards Dinner
- COE continues work alongside state legislators
- COE is recruiting donors
  - Meet with Jim Burke or Diane if you are pursuing funding
- College rankings update

### Invited Speaker:

Dr. Sarah Lynne

### UF Strategic Planning initiative

- Should have received email to participate in academic strategic planning, powered by NaviGator

- Want to engage entire UF community
- Survey to collect feedback through chat bot activity
- Data collection just in the month of October
- Encourage colleagues and students to engage with the tool to represent college
- 899 users so far, 850 this morning
  - Engagement increases everyday
- Receiving metrics of who logs in
  - 31% faculty
  - 23% students
  - 46% staff
  - Asked IT to collect data by college, will share with Deans when available
- Users report 5–15-minute interaction with the tool
- Survey is anonymous, although use GatorLink authenticator to get in
  - GatorLink authenticator allows you to get in, but narrative data is not associated with GatorLink
  - Encrypted code number linked to data, not connected to GatorLink
- If you identify yourself in the narrative data, narrative data is no longer anonymous
- Narrative data collected are public records, although there is no way to link it back to individual faculty, staff, or students
- Will send link again
  - Originally sent from faculty senate chair
- Reach Sarah Lynne via email with questions

## Discussion and Action Items

### Committee Discussion - Tara Mathien

- Committee makeup – review and confirm changes (ex: LSAC)
  - All representatives have met with committees and identified a chair
  - Go into folder and indicate chair and any changes to committees
  - LSAC needed doctoral representative
- Updates to committee webpages
  - Bring up at next committee meeting – add to agendas
  - Pull up page on Faculty Policy Council website
  - Email necessary updates to Tara Mathien

## Committee Updates

### *Budgetary Affairs: Tuuli Robinson*

- Information stands from first meeting
- Next meeting will be scheduled

### *College Curriculum: Caitie Galligane*

- Met last Monday
- ~3 proposals
- People are putting request in for AI designation to be added to courses
  - There is a webpage explaining what that means
  - If you want the designation, look at that information
- AAT system will be shut down – not sure if there will be a December meeting
- Anyone can go to training on new system
  - Ask chair from department to enter your name to be invited to the training
  - If you can't go, they will send you PowerPoint

### *Faculty Affairs: Nelson Brunsting*

Not present

### *Lectures, Seminars & Awards: Magdi Castaneda*

- Next award to review is doctoral mentorship award
- Submission deadline Nov 10
- Will meet on 13th to look over

### *Long Range Planning: Kyena Cornelius*

No report

### *Research Advisory: Hannah Mathews*

- Discussed role of reviewing for awards, putting together clear rubrics
- Will ask OER for support on new sources of funding

### *Technology & Distance Ed: Katy Chapman*

- Met Oct 1
- Walter Balser is chair
- Confirmed workshops for rest of semester and next semester
  - Next one about GoReact
  - AI – Walter Balser
- Working with ETC on improving accessibility of websites

### *Elections Committee: Nelson Brunsting, Hannah Mathews, Sara Smith*

- Tara Mathien will create folders for committee chairs to improve organization and efficiency, similar to FPC

### Action items

N/A

### Discussion items

- REM Minimum Methodology Course approval policy
  - Tara Mathien & Caitie Galligane
    - Issue recently arose due to lack of inconsistencies in documentation and webpages
    - Galligane & Mathien reviewed past FPC minutes and discussed with other faculty members
    - Want to discuss policy as it stands
    - List of REM courses identified as approved courses for COE
      - Also a substitution form that exists in case students have existed coursework or take a course not offered by college
      - Established in 2022
    - REM course list from 2022 is most recent list that has been voted on and approved by FPC
      - Will be posted on website
    - Substitution form for Non-REM courses
      - Paragraph at bottom about how to propose and approve non-REM course
      - This process has been in contention
      - Someone has put in a request for non-REM course to be approved
      - Ad hoc committee needs to be activated and decided if need arises
      - Form needs to be updated and reflected on website
  - Lindsay Byron
    - Provided example of an issue with this policy that occurred
  - Tara Mathien & Caitie Galligane
    - Curriculum committee approves new courses, FPC approves decision for it to meet REM requirements
  - Tara Mathien:

- We will need to activate ad hoc committee
    - Will have faculty with relevant expertise
    - Will be chosen by directors and deans
  - Will increase access to documents
  - We can always entertain a motion to make changes
  - Use substitution form
- Hannah Matthews:
  - How will we distribute? Maybe send out to faculty?
- Caitie Galligane:
  - It is on website, will be shared in minutes
- Lindsay Byron
  - Correct language needs to be reflected on program plans
- COE Strategic Plan (LRP)
  - Tara Mathien
    - Discussed in September about COE Strategic Plan
    - Discussed with Dean, including long-range planning
    - Interim president is interested in colleges doing this work
  - Kyena Cornelius will share with committee chair to discuss with committee
- University College Council updates - Tara Mathien
  - Discussed academic freedom resolution
    - Specifically, are we reaffirming it or is there something new to bring up?
  - Senate reviewing performance metrics
    - Including post-tenure review data
    - Concern about releasing the data in specific colleges

## Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Kyena Cornelius at 3:26 pm. Brady Nash seconded with no objections or abstentions. The motion passed unanimously.

## Remaining meetings:

- November 17th Rosenberg
- December – NONE
- January 26th – Rosenberg
- February 23rd – Rosenberg
- March 23rd – Rosenberg

- April 20th – Spring Faculty Meeting