Franklin College Faculty Senate Minutes of the meeting on Tuesday, March 21, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM in room 213 of the Miller Learning Center, Adam Goodie presiding.

Members Present: John Achee, Analisa Arroyo, Maor Bar-Peled, Mary Bedell, Thomas Biggs, Renato Castelao, Tom Cerbu, Brian Condie, Elizabeth Davis, Inge DiBella, Jorge Escalante, Ray Freeman-Lynde, Lisa Fusillo, Adam Goodie, Dan Hall, Chad Howe, Richard Hubbard, Takahiro Ito, Kevin Jones, Kristen Kundert, Derrick Lemons, Megan Lutz, Reid Messich, Silvia Moreno, Nicolas Morrissey, Dan Nakano, Rielle Navitski, Don Nelson, Jennifer Rice, Steve Soper, Phillip Stancil, Piers Stephens, Quin Zhao

Proxies: Jonathan Evans (proxy for Tricia Lootens), Roberto Perdisci (proxy for Lakshmish Ramaswamy), Huabei Guo (proxy for Lianchun Wang)

Members not present: Josh Bynum, Richard Gordon, Maria Hybinette, Jain Kwon, Gordana Matic, Leslie Gordon Simons

Approval of the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting: Approved without corrections.

President Adam Goodie's Remarks

- President Adam Goodie began his remarks with a welcome.
- President Goodie next discussed the staffing for the Senate next year, thanking those who had already agreed to serve. He noted that the slate of officers and committee chairs was almost full and that he would be soliciting additional volunteers during the coming weeks.
- Finally, President Goodie announced that the next meeting will be Tuesday, April 18th.

Dean Dorsey's Remarks

- Dean Dorsey began his remarks regarding the State of the College Address, which is set to be held following the regularly scheduled meeting of the Franklin Faculty Senate on Tuesday, April 18th. All faculty are welcome to attend.
- Dean Dorsey next discussed the upcoming University-wide Staff Appreciation Day, set for May 11th. Franklin College will host its own event as well on May 9th. Dean Dorsey will be contacting department heads soon with additional information regarding nomination for awards.
- Next, Dean Dorsey discussed the UGA Advantage Program (aka. "Double Dawgs Initiative"). He noted that the deadline for departments to submit proposals is June 15 for programs starting in Fall 2017. He referred Senators to the Office of Instruction which has an <u>FAQ website related to the Double Dawgs Initiative</u>. The total number of proposals under development for this program is between 20 and 25.
- Dean Dorsey then addressed issues related to legislative action at the state level. First, as of March 14th, HB44 (House Budget Bill) included a 2% merit-based raise for employees. The bill also includes a bond for planning and design for a UGA STEM building and a \$50

million bond for MRR (Major Repairs and Renovations) for UGA System Institutions. Dean Dorsey also noted that HB 280 ("Campus Carry") had passed the Georgia House and is now being considered by the Senate.

- Dean Dorsey also discussed funding issues at the Federal level, observing that the Trump administration has recommended significant cuts that would affect teaching and research at UGA. He reminded the Senate that UGA's Office of Government Relations is working with the GA delegation to counter these proposed cuts.
- Q&A: Dean Dorsey was asked a question regarding changes to next year's academic calendar. He noted that he is not directly involved in these issues, but that the proposed starting date for Fall 2017 has now been changed to August 14th. Dean Dorsey pointed out that the University Council would be discussing this issue at their meeting on March 21st.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Standards Committee: 1 appeal in progress
- Curriculum Committee: Approved 18 new courses, approved 18 course changes, approved 14 Bulletin Changes, 3 General Education Core course proposals, 3 Multicultural course proposals, 1 Area of Emphasis (Eighteenth Century Literature), 1 Minor proposal (Criminal Justice)
- Executive Committee: No new business reported.
- Committee on Faculty Affairs: The Dean's 5th Year Review needs to be completed.
- Committee on Planning & Evaluation: No new business reported.

New Business:

• Proposal for Institute for Cybersecurity and Privacy

The Senate discussed a proposal for the creation of an Institute for Cybersecurity and Privacy within the Department of Computer Science. Thiab Taha and Roberto Perdisci from Computer Science were available for questions. There were no questions. The faculty senate approved the proposal unanimously.

Old Business:

• None

Meeting was adjourned at 3.51 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Chad Howe Franklin College Senate Secretary and Senator for Romance Languages