

IFAS FACULTY ASSEMBLY

MINUTES

OCTOBER 9, 2017

2:30 – 4:30

102 ANIMAL SCIENCES BUILDING

ROLL CALL	LARRY FORTHUN	SECRETARY
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CALL TO ORDER	SAUNDRA TENBROECK	CHAIR
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APPROVAL OF JUNE 13TH MEETING MINUTES

First: Erika Goss Second: Jason Kruse Unanimous approval

ASSEMBLY CHAIR REPORT

- Appreciation of past service; will select appropriate gift for Keith
- Create a list of priorities for the upcoming new year
- Identify strategies for enhancing IFAS shared governance

STATE OF IFAS	SENIOR VICE PRESIDNET, DR. JACK PAYNE
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State of IFAS has been good. We are continuing to hire faculty. Biggest challenge is infrastructure.

- University-wide capital campaign begins soon. New campaign is \$3 Billion. IFAS did well on last campaign; came in second among all units. IFAS's goal for this campaign is \$2M. IFAS has 7 development staff to assist. Will come to faculty meetings to discuss how faculty can help. John Arthington from ONA will be assisting as well.
- All but one research station received damage from hurricane. Lost most temporary buildings. Damage over \$2M.
- IFAS attended Board of Trustees meeting. A half day was spent on learning about IFAS. Beef teaching unit sponsored dinner. The meal was so popular Board of Governors will be eating dinner at beef teaching unit at next meeting at UF.
- IFAS faculty attended and spoke at recent March on Science.
- Legislative year was difficult. . Governor vetoed \$20M from UF \$6M IFAS recurring money. Affected approximately 35 faculty positions. IFAS was able to save all but 2 positions using \$2M recurring money for new positions and \$4M rate from units (unassigned rate), and one time money from UF to cover difference. Lost Bok Tower horticulture program. Hope we will get money back in coming legislative session.
- IFAS Center for Online Learning and Technology will open January 2018. Will include green screen technology, tonight show sets, white boards, etc. Open 24/7.
- McCarty D first floor renovation is almost complete.
- Developed PhD in FYCS. Only department that did not have PhD. Tracy Irani has been a wonderful chair. Elaine Turner was also instrumental.
- IFAS continues to win more teaching awards than any other land grant. Eric McLamore won a national award and Nicole Steadman won a regional award. IFAS received 6 NACTA education awards. Hats off to award winners.
- Donations have increased again. \$532,000 in 2017.

- Research. After two record years, we are down a little bit on grants/awards. Nevertheless, faculty continue to shine. 1,368 referred publications (average 4 publications per faculty). 11 varieties of cultivar. Approximately \$441K Ordway Swisher Jumpstart awards. 15 teams of faculty \$721K in early career grants. 10 faculty/grad \$82K international travel awards. Undergrad internships \$173K. David Wright and team received \$15M USDA grant.
- Florida Farm Bureau created new award for Extension faculty, Bob Hochmuth 2017 winner
- IFAS communications increased social media presence. 38.2% increase in followers this year.
- Infrastructure. Beef teaching unit phase two building underway. McCarty renovations. Cedar Key facilities.
- There is an opportunity for tenure-track faculty to move to a 9-month appointment. Driven by faculty request. Mary Anne Morgan will come to next meeting to discuss. Not a one-time opportunity. Offer enrollment over a number of years. Once you convert, you cannot go back. Open enrollment is in the spring for 60 days (2018, 2020, 2022). 10% reduction of 12 month salary. Opportunity to earn for 3 months on grants and contracts. No annual leave time. Convert one-time payment of time saved on vacation up to 200 hours. Health care and retirement (payments are more for spring months to cover the summer). Expectations for evaluation are the same in terms of research and teaching.
- Thanks for Sandra as chair of assembly.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- IRC – *Erica Goss*
 - Committee report and plans for fall term of 2017

The committee met last week. Kimberly Brown talked about the IFAS budget. Budget plans are similar to last year. Committee intends to invite guests from across campus (PPD, facilities, etc.). Extension will talk with state committee on Oct. 12 about facilities (with Jeana Mastrodecasa)

- PWC – *Calvin Odera*
 - Committee report and plans for fall term of 2017

Committee will be revisiting IFAS constitution and revising constitutional amendment proposed last year. The committee will also review the proposed 9-month appointment changes.

- Curriculum – *Andrea Lucky*
 - Committee report and plans for fall term of 2017

No report

- IFAS TPC – *Julie Maupin*
 - Committee report and plans for fall term of 2017

No report

- IFAS FACULTY SENATE – *Liaisons Les Harrison and Deborah Nistler*

Dr. Fuchs gave the state of the university address. He discussed first amendment and the scheduled speech by Richard Spencer. He noted that there was an ongoing discussion of concerns across University. Dr Turner asked for IST on civil discourse, training faculty to have conversations with students.

DEAN'S ROUNDTABLE

- Dr. Joel Brendemuhl, CALS Assoc Dean
 1. Record Fall Enrollment
 - a. 6,167 Total
 - b. 4,148 Undergraduate
 - c. 1,611 Graduate
 - d. 408 Non-degree (mostly certificate seeking students)
 2. Hiring of new teaching faculty 2017-18
 - a. 10 new lecturers
 - b. 10 new tenure-track
 3. Council looking at recognition of teaching and classroom upgrades to university and CALS classrooms

- Dr. Tom Obreza, Assoc Dean for Extension (or representative)
 1. Hurricane helped us realize the need to develop a better protocol. Requests for amount of damage took longer than anticipated.
 2. Revenue enhancement turning county office to business office.
 3. Road to 67 endowment in each county.
 4. Looking at EDIS. Want to capture the scholarship, focus on peer reviewed documents. Define better what EDIS is and the different types of publications available. Editors should get credit for supervising department reviews.
 5. Professional development, extension symposium cancelled for 2018. Hoping for 2019. IST and professional development will be same as usual.
 6. Sunbelt expo Oct 17 to 19. Dr. Place will be competing with other extension directors.
 7. County operations, rename them business services.
 8. Changing names of districts (southwest and southeast).
 9. Professional scheduling is being looked at (e.g., outside activities, fairs, camps, etc.). Employees don't need to be in office 8 to 5.

- Dr. Jackie Burns, Dean for IFAS Research (or representative)
 1. Jerry Frankhauser is new assistant director of experiment station. He will be working directly with REC centers. Will also work with hemp research (new rules will allow research at land grant).
 2. Proposed research forum with two faculty driven discussions on what bothers you about research, how best to do things, research in classroom, sabbatical, best practices for labs, etc.
 3. Everglades research center celebrated 70th anniversary. Citrus 100th anniversary. Research stations a very important part of what we do.
 4. Upcoming grants specialist workshop nov. 8 (updates on grants and UF policies). Will still providing seed funds for research in different areas. See website.
 5. Diversity and inclusion. Pres Fuchs hiring UF officer to help us become more diverse.

OTHER ISSUES & ACTIONS

Requesting a faculty volunteer or nomination for Parliamentarian

OPEN DISCUSSION FROM ASSEMBLY FLOOR

MEETING ADJOURNED 4:45 P.M.