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• Call to Order

• Approval of Minutes
  – September 9, 2019
Chair’s Report

• IFAS VP Search Update

• IFAS Faculty Assembly Website
IFAS VP Search Update

• FA submitted memo to Dr. Perri & Dr. Fuchs
• Share position info with colleagues
• Inquiries & nominations:
  – Melissa Curry melissa-curry@ufl.edu
• Begin candidate review Dec 3rd
Faculty Assembly Website

- http://faculty.ifas.ufl.edu/
IFAS Update

Senior Vice President, Dr. Jack Payne
Guest Speaker

Dr. Jerry Fankhauser
Assistant Director
Florida Agricultural Experiment Station
Florida Agricultural Experiment Station - UF/IFAS
Assistant Director Position
IFAS Faculty Assembly - October 2019

Research support, hemp pilot project oversight, & so much more...

Jerry Fankhauser, Assistant Director
Florida Agricultural Experiment Station - UF/IFAS
UF/IFAS – Office of Dean for Research

Dean of Research Office:

• Dr. Rob Gilbert, Dean of Research & Director of Florida Agricultural Experiment Station – Initially Lead Oversight Manager for Hemp Pilot Project

• Associate Deans – Dr. Davis & Dr. Larkin

• Interim Assistant Dean – Dr. Adams

• Assistant Director of FAES – New(er) position

*My experience...*  
- Former director of Purdue Agricultural Centers & assistant director of Indiana Ag. Experiment Station (50/50 split appt.)  
My current role as Assistant Director...

- Support IFAS research enterprise (equipment & infrastructure)
- Input and efforts with IFAS land resources and issues (e.g. Hastings AEC relocation effort)
- Engage with several state commodity organizations and state agencies (e.g. FFAA, FFVA, WMD’s)
- Special projects (e.g. UFarm, Hemp Pilot Project)
- Other duties...
UF/IFAS Hemp Pilot Project

Variety: Fiber Cultivar (China)
Planted: May 7, 2019 (Alachua County)
Height = 5-6 feet (48 days after planting)
Results… excessive rainfall led to premature death of many/all cultivars
Standing Committee Reports

- PWC Committee
  - Lisa Lundy

- Curriculum Committee
  - Joel Brendemuhl

- T & P Committees – Meet in Nov
  - Maia McGuire and Senthold Asseng

- IRC Committee – Scheduling mtgs
  - Mark Ritenour
PWC Report

Best Practices for Faculty Mentoring
Dean’s Roundtable

• CALS Dean
  – Dr. Elaine Turner
• Dean for IFAS Research
  – Dr. Robert Gilbert
• Dean for Extension
  – Dr. Nick Place
UPDATE:
College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

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Priority #1 – Recruit and Retain Outstanding Students

- **NaviGATORing CALS: Campus Tours**
  - High school juniors and seniors
  - January 24 and 31, 2020
  - Apply: https://cals.ufl.edu/prospective/navigatingcals

- **CALS Veterans Student Luncheon**
  - Nov 7 11:30-1:30, 2025 McCarty D
  - RSVP: bit.ly/CALSVets
Priority #1

- **Student Mental Health Resources**
  - Counseling and Wellness Center
  - Care Team (Dean of Students Office)

- **Training**
  - Kognito – free online training on techniques to help and refer
    - [https://counseling.ufl.edu/resources/online/kognito](https://counseling.ufl.edu/resources/online/kognito)
  - In-person from C&WC or Care Team
Priority #1

• Training for faculty and staff to recognize student distress
  – November 18, 3:30-5:00 pm, G001 McCarty D
  – Dr. Amanda Lawson-Ross, UF Psychology Dept.
  – Complete Kognito training before you come
Priority #2: Provide Relevant Curricula

• B.S. in Marine Sciences approved by University Curriculum Committee
  – On to Faculty Senate

• New Certificate in Horticultural Therapy accredited by the American Horticultural Therapy Association
Priority #3: Promote Excellence in Teaching

• Award Deadlines
  – Nov 7  Doctoral Dissertation/Mentoring Award
  – Nov 29 CALS Teaching & Advising Awards

• Coming soon: Instructional Improvement Mini-Grant RFPs
Priority #4 Produce Society-Ready Graduates

- **Service**
  - CALS Day of Service Nov 21, 9-3, Straughn Center
  - Donate or volunteer: https://cals.ufl.edu/apps/dayofservice

- **Study Abroad**
  - CALS Study Abroad Fairs – 2025 McCarty D
  - Nov 6 2-4 pm; Nov 19 12-2 pm

- **International Education Week: November 18-22**
Priority #5 Strengthen Alumni and Stakeholder Connections

• Grand Guard (1969 graduates)
  – November 7-9
  – Luncheon featuring WEC

• Distinguished Alumnus – Robert Horton (ABE)

• Registration now open for CALS Career Expo:
  – https://cals.ufl.edu/current-students/careerresources/careerexpo
Communications

• **Introductory/Exploratory Courses**
  – [https://cals.ufl.edu/current-students/explore](https://cals.ufl.edu/current-students/explore)
  – Send to Dana Edwards (dana.edwards@ufl.edu)

• **Graduation Stories**
  – Dana Edwards (dana.edwards@ufl.edu)

• **Teaching Innovations and Student Stories**
  – Dana Edwards (dana.edwards@ufl.edu)
Upcoming Events

- Nov 6 & 19  CALS Study Abroad Fairs
- Nov 7  CALS Veterans Student Luncheon
- Nov 18-22  International Education Week
- Nov 21  CALS Day of Service

- Dec 13  Doctoral Commencement  2:00 pm
- Dec 14  UF Commencement  10:00 am
  - CALS bachelor’s and master’s students
CALS UPDATE

• Questions?
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Other Issues and Actions

• UF Counseling and Wellness Center
• Associate VP, IFAS Information & Communication Services
• Future meeting dates
Associate VP, IFAS ICS

- [https://ifas.ufl.edu/searches/avp/](https://ifas.ufl.edu/searches/avp/)

- Mr. Curtis Hayes
  - Tuesday, October 29, 8:15am

- Ms. Nicole Yucht
  - Thursday, November 7, 8:45am

- Ms. Christine Vivian
  - Friday, November 8, 8:45am
Future Meetings
3:00pm, McCarty D, G001

- Monday, December 2
- Wednesday, January 22
- Wednesday, February 19
- Thursday, April 9
- Wednesday, May 20
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