

**Faculty Council Meeting  
Minutes  
May 1, 2001, 5PM, Hugh M. Hill Conference Room**

Called to order at 5:15 PM

The first order of business was to announce the Faculty Council Officers for next year.

President - Satya Kalra  
President-Elect - Michael Claire-Salzler  
Vice-President - Shae Kosch  
Secretary - Richard Condit  
Treasurer - Donna Duckworth  
Past President - Jon Williams.

The outgoing president expressed thanks for all the work of the officers and the members of the Council over the last year and wished the newly elected officers an even more successful and productive year. The Gavel of the President was then passed to the new President of the Faculty Council, Dr. Satya Kalra, who then took charge of the meeting. He presented the outgoing President, Jon Williams, with a plaque, expressing appreciation for a year of service to the Faculty Council.

It was decided to enter the summer break at the end of this meeting and to reconvene the Faculty Council September 4, 2001, the regular meeting date on the first Tuesday of the month.

The Chair Evaluation is in the final stages for pilot study in the Departments of MGM and Pediatrics. Electronic versions will be distributed to the faculty in each of the two Departments and the results compiled for each of the two volunteer Departments. Three questions have been added to the pilot: Is the survey of value? How often should the survey be done in a Department? and Should the results be shared with the Dean? Further discussion was entertained by the Council members about who will be able to review the report and who will collate the results in any department. As the survey is an evaluation of the Chair's ability, advice from the College's legal council will be sought. The officers of the Faculty Council offered to deliver the survey results to any Chair if the Faculty Council representative of that Department felt uncomfortable performing this task.

The Faculty Council By-Laws are almost completely revised. We are waiting for the final list of College and Hospital Committees upon which a member of the Faculty Council is expected to serve.

President Kalra reminded the Council members of their commitment to attend the Council meetings, so best to represent their Department in the proceedings. An end-of-year attendance report will be generated, based upon the sign-in sheet passed around at each meeting.

Membership dues, while remaining at \$10 per year, have generated some excess funds. It was suggested that since the Council is charged with fostering educational support, that it

is appropriate for some of the money be used as cash awards for winners of the Science Day activities, including medical students, graduate students, post-doctoral students, for example. Further discussion will commence in the fall when planning for the Science Day begins.

Each Council member is to submit a nomination from their Department for membership to the UF Senate. The appointment is for two years, and the Faculty has been asked to supply 12 names for membership. Please return your Department nominee to Satya Kalra (skalra@ufbi.ufl.edu) in the next two weeks.

It has been suggested that our current health insurance company, American Heritage Life, may soon no longer be the carrier for the College of Medicine. To that end, membership on the Fringe Benefit Committee was strongly urged. In addition, questions about the Disability and Life Insurance coverage for faculty of the College were entertained. More information will be found and circulated.

There being no further business, the Faculty Council was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jon Williams