

**Minutes of the September 2006 Faculty Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, September 5, 2006, 5 PM**  
**Hugh Hill Conference Room**

**Officers Present:**

President - David Paulus  
Vice-President - Christy Carter  
Secretary - Marilyn Dumont-Driscoll

President-Elect - Rebecca Rainer Pauly  
Past-President - Fonda Davis Eyler  
Treasurer - Parker Gibbs

**Department Representatives Present:**

Kevin Brown - Biochemistry  
Sankar Swaminathan - Medicine  
Frank Bova - Neurosurgery  
Laurence Morel - Pathology (via teleconference)  
Tom Rowe - Pharmacology  
David Kays - Surgery

Linda Montgomery - CHFM  
Lei Zhou - Molecular Genetics  
Sonal Tuli - Ophthalmology  
Sarah Chesrown - Pediatrics  
Patricia Mergo - Radiology

**Guests:**

Susan P. McGorray, Ph.D., Research Assistant Professor - Statistics/Epidemiology (on behalf of Jill Herndon FC Department Representative for Epidemiology)

1. President David Paulus called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00pm.
2. Announcements, Reports, and Old Business:
  - a. Faculty Council Committees, Faculty Senate and Search Committee Report
    1. Dr. Paulus noted that most of the FC reps have signed up for one of the four FC sub-committees addressing Shared Governance; Faculty/Governance Affairs, Clinical Affairs, Research Affairs and Programs. Those who have not signed up will be assigned where needed.

Dr. Paulus announced that governance is the big issue at the moment. Drs. Frank Bova and Gregory Schultz are active on campus with this initiative; they have volunteered to help develop the first draft for the COM. The FC goal is to have this completed by January.
    2. Dr. Paulus noted that the FC Vice-President with the Programs Committee will organize the Research Day activities. He suggested as potential participants Dr. William Plested (President of the AMA), Dr. Yank Coble (Past-President of the AMA and Past-President of the World Association of Medical Society). Dr. Coble would like to invite Dr. Don Berwick (President and Chief Executive Officer for the Institute for Healthcare Improvement). The search for a researcher to participate in the research celebration is underway.

It was noted that to increase faculty involvement in Research/Faculty Day a balance between research and clinical presentations is critical. Involvement of the medical and graduate students is the highest priority.
    3. Dr. Paulus discussed the NIH debt reduction program as a potential model for UF. Dr. Tim Morey developed such a proposal for college consideration.

4. Dr. Paulus suggested the FC consider the support systems for our faculty. He suggested inviting human resource people to the next FC meeting.

5. There was discussion about how to engage the JAX campus in the Faculty Senate, given the fixed number of seats.

6. Dr. Eyler informed the FC that the first meeting of the search committee for the COM Dean position will be on Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. [Spencer Stewart](#) has been chosen as the search firm. The search committee is soliciting suggestions from faculty about pertinent issues to consider in the hiring of a new dean.

7. There will be an all day shared governance taskforce workshop on October 17, 2006 at the Reitz Union.

- b. The minutes for August 2006 were approved with minor corrections. (correction to representative and guests present was done on September 5, 2006)

3. New Business:

- a. There was no new business discussed.

4. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:45 pm.

*Minutes recorded by Rachel L. Dotson, Office Assistant.*