

# UFC Meeting Agenda – January 30, 2019

Digital Auditorium 3:30-5:30pm

I. Call to Order

II. Previous Meeting Minutes: [November 28<sup>th</sup> draft minutes](#)

III. Reports

1. President Paino
2. Provost Mikhalevsky
3. College Deans
  1. Keith Mellinger, CAS
  2. Pete Kelly, CoE
  3. Lynne Richardson, CoB
4. SGA Representative's Report
5. SAC Representative's Report
6. UFC Chair's [Report](#)
7. UFC Vice Chair's Report
8. Report on the Faculty Senate of Virginia
9. University Committees – minutes, reports, and action items
  1. University Academic Affairs Committee
    1. [Motion](#): *UMW guidelines on open and affordable educational resources (a response to Virginia State Legislature HB 454) - Faculty are encouraged to give serious consideration to adopting OER or Low-Cost Commercially Published Materials for texts and other course materials in their courses.*
    2. Draft [Minutes](#) Jan 18 are available but will not be voted on – *attendance policy; walking at graduation; open textbooks policy; new business*
  2. University Budget Advisory Committee
  3. University Curriculum Committee
    1. [Minutes](#) Dec 5 – *to be considered with action items: new courses, new programs, & changes to programs.*
    2. [Minutes](#) Jan 25 – *to be considered with action items: new courses, new programs, & changes to programs.*
  4. University Faculty Affairs Committee: none
  5. University Faculty Organization Committee: none
  6. University General Education Committee
    1. [Minutes](#) Nov 19 – *discussion of digital literacy given Amazons move to NoVa; of ODR's request for a language substitution; of feedback on gen ed modifications from chairs meeting.*

2. [Minutes](#) Dec 5 – *discussion with Jessica Machado (ODR) about language substitution – this will continue in a future meeting; discussion of feedback from departments and individuals on gen ed changes, connection to strategic vision, and addition of comparison schools; scheduling and preparation discussions.*
3. [Minutes](#) Dec 14 – *thoughts from the Provost; discussion of digital literacy, the [Digital Fluency Report of March 2017](#) and how to present different gen ed models.*
4. Draft [Minutes](#) Jan 16 are available but will not be voted on – *discussion of rationale and distribution of core curriculum models and how they will be presented; discussion of second language requirements, of diversity/inclusion/global options, and of career/life preparation options.*
5. [General Education Proposals](#) to be discussed under New Business ***PLEASE READ!***
7. University Sabbaticals, Fellowships & Faculty Awards Committee: none
8. University Student Affairs & Campus Life Advisory Committee
  1. Draft [Minutes](#) Nov 13 are available but will not be voted on – *discussion of efforts to support underrepresented students, especially with regard to retention and graduation rates.*
9. Bachelor of Liberal Studies (BLS) Committee: none
10. Distance and Blended Learning Committee
  1. [Minutes](#) Nov 13 – *regular business; ODR will be paying for closed-caption transcriptions; new COB member selected.*
11. First Year Seminar Committee: none
12. Honors Program Committee:
  1. [Minutes](#) Nov 13 – *regular business; change to research methods requirement; information about prestigious scholarships, development of an Advisory Board, a wish list, promotional materials, student portfolio assessment, promotion of diversity in the program.*
  2. Draft [Minutes](#) Jan 22 are available but will not be voted on
  3. [Action Item](#) Nov 30 – *regular business*
  4. [Action Item](#) Jan 22 – *regular business*
13. James Farmer Multicultural Center Advisory Committee
  1. [Minutes](#) Sept 20 (*these were previously approved but were actually draft: so should be approved formally now*)

2. [Minutes](#) Nov 1 – *updates on cultural programming; on social justice initiatives; on RISE peer mentoring program; ongoing discussion of President’s Strategic Vision goals #1 and #4.*
  3. Programming [Report](#): *provides information about events and academic collaborations held in the fall semester*
14. Journalism Advisory Committee: **none**
15. Speaking Intensive Committee: **none**
16. Teaching Center Advisory Committee
1. [Minutes](#) Aug 23 – *discussion of duties without and during hiring of new director*
  2. [Minutes](#) Oct 29 – *discussion about rebuilding new teaching center*
  3. Draft [Minutes](#) Nov 26 – *are available but will not be voted on – continued discussion of new teaching center; potential change to composition of committee*
17. Writing Intensive Committee
1. [Minutes](#) Jan 22 – *regular business*
  2. [Action Item](#) Jan 22 – *regular business*

#### IV. Unfinished Business

1. University Budget Advisory Committee – The University Faculty Organization Committee has been charged with writing new duties for this committee.
2. Update on the “*Blue & Gray Press Statement of Policy*” from the Journalism Advisory Committee – **this remains tabled**

#### V. New Business

1. University Academic Affairs Committee
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2. University Curriculum Committee [Minutes](#) Dec 5 and [Minutes](#) Jan 25
3. Honors Program Committee
  1. [Action Item](#) Nov 30 – *regular business*
  2. [Action Item](#) Jan 22 – *regular business*
4. Writing Intensive Committee
  1. [Action Item](#) Jan 22 – *regular business*
5. Nominations for faculty members to serve with the **Virginia Retirement System Defined Contribution Plans Advisory**

**Committee**, to participate in discussions regarding ORPHE. “We would be looking for 3 to 4 faculty members representing both administrative and teaching faculty across various disciplines. It would also be helpful to include a representative from the Faculty Senate, if possible. We will be looking to schedule these meetings in the February-March timeframe.” Anand Rao has already volunteered – anyone else?

6. Presentation by Nicole Crowder, Chair, University General Education Committee: [General Education Proposals](#)
7. Consideration of procedure and timeline for core curriculum changes going forward. **Please note that we will not discuss the substance of these models at this UFC meeting**; rather, they will be discussed at the general faculty meeting Feb 6, 4pm, Chandler Ballroom, at fora in other locations to be announced, and at a future UFC meeting.
8. Presentation by Caitie Finlayson, Faculty Program Director, University Teaching Center

## VI. Announcements

1. Any?

## VII. Adjournment

The next UFC meeting will be held on **February 27<sup>th</sup> 2019**, from 3:30-5:30pm in the HCC Digital Auditorium.