

**DRAFT – Minutes - DRAFT**  
**Faculty Senate, February 14, 2012**

**I. Welcome/ Call to order**

2:10pm meeting called to order by Chair

**II. Attendance**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Senator</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
1. UDC-CC, 1	Brenda Brown	y
2. UDC-CC, 2	Madkins, Steven	y
3. UDC-CC, 3	Patricia Myers	y
4. UDC-CC, 4	Madiana Odumosa	
5. UDC-CC, 5	Lori Taylor	y
6. Computer Science	Daryao Khatri	y
7. Environmental Science	Thomas Kakovitch	y
8. Nutrition and Food Science	B. Michelle Harris	y
9. Architecture and Urban Design	Clarence Pearson	y
10. Public Administration	Unfilled pending internal review by the College of Business	n/a
11. David A. Clark School of Law	Robin Alexander	y
12. Accounting / Finance	Eboh Ezeani	y
13. Biology and Chemistry	Carolyn Cousin	y
14. Management / Marketing	Les Vermillion	y
15. Communications	Willie Faye Garrett	y

16. English	Cherie Ann Turpin	y
17. Education	Arlene King-Berry	y
18. Center for Urban Education	No full time faculty as of 1/24/12	n/a
19. Criminal Justice, Sociology and Social Work	Margaret Moore	y
20. Political Science, History and Global Studies	G. Derek Musgrove	y
21. Nursing	Connie Webster	y
22. Learning Resources Division	Ed Jones	excused
23. Electrical and Computer Engineering	Wagdy Mahmoud	y
24. Psychology and Counseling	Eugene Johnson	absent
25. Math and Applied Statistics	Thomas Bullock	excused
26. Visual and Performing Arts	Lennie Smith	y
27. Civil and Mechanical Engineering	Pradeep Behera	y
28. Adjunct Faculty	None selected by Council of Deans as of 1/24/12	n/a
29. President of the SGA	Tolu Onasanya	y
30. President of the GSGA	None elected by students as of 1/24/12	n/a
31. UDC-CC Student Representative, elected at large	None elected by students as of 1/24/12	n/a

-20 members are present at 2:12pm. We have a quorum.

### III. Review of Minutes (Jan 24th Meeting)

Chair requests review of minutes.

-Webster, Corrections:

-Item #3, addition: "Webster noted that all senate officers and chairs have returned to their positions."

-Same addition for #4 third bullet.

-Also under #4 add: "were discussed with the new membership."

-Next page: change "verified to "validated."

-Motion to adopt with identified corrections, Katri

-Second, Myers

#### **IV. Chair Announcements**

None.

#### **V. Committee Reports**

##### **a. Charter and By Laws Committee**

##### **i. Suggested changes to the FS Charter**

-Alexander: Two issues that committee discussed:

-In negotiations with ASPPC about their concerns about the structure of the GC. Are still in discussions.

-Discussed and voted up a motion to change the FS charter to change the student representative from the UDC-CC from "elected at large" to the "president of the UDC-CC SGA"

-Once the Board signs off on the charter change, the FS will need to make a corresponding change in our Bylaws.

-Turpin, call the question.

-Passed unanimously by voice vote.

##### **b. UDC-Community College Committee**

None.

##### **c. Academic Standards Programs and Policies Committee**

##### **i. Policy for signing off on departmental changes**

##### **ii. Report: Status of the Center on Urban Education as Regards the Senate**

##### **iii. Report: ASPPC sent the Business proposal back to the department for clarification and resubmission**

-Garrett: All of the subcommittees are still working. We do not have any reports to send as of today.

##### **a. Admissions & Retention**

##### **a. Time that students can take to graduate**

##### **b. Suggested reorganization of website**

-Harris: Committee met with Josh Weber and Estephan Olivares. The committee is currently waiting for documents that were requested of Mr. Weber. The Committee raised the issue of students' allowed tenure at the university - how long they can take to graduate. Weber responded by

discussing the “fresh start initiative” which would allow students to drop all of their failing grades after five years and start their academic careers over without the failing grades. Olivares wants the FS to know that he wants faculty input on customer service issues. Harris invited the SGA rep to join the Committee

-Musgrove: did committee get to ask Weber about a cap on amount of time that it takes to finish a degree.

-Harris: we did not but we will this coming month.

-Berry: do we have written guidelines for admission and retention now?

-Harris: That is unclear to me. Weber said he is working to produce written documents and will get them to us as soon as we can.

-Brown: students are being booted from class under the new system and I can not figure out why.

-Mahmoud: agrees with Musgrove that there should be a cap on the amount of time that students have to finish a degree.

-Webster: underscores her point, made in previous meetings, that the committees should be proactive. And seek out issues like these and produce research on them so that we can shape policy as opposed to just reacting to others.

#### **b. Graduate Council**

-Hartline: no business to report.

### **VI. Provost response to Senate letter**

-Webster: provost is here and we welcome him. In response to our letter to him, the Provost has been very helpful and sent us a number of documents that we are currently sorting.

-Bain: reiterated sentiments from his letter to the FS

### **VII. New Business (Open)**

-Ezeani: summer teaching metrics: because we changed our summer teaching sessions from four to six weeks, we have lost a number of students from other area schools that used to take summer classes here. [Secretary Note: the EC has since received information from Holy Madsen that indicates that UDC did not lose students due to the change in metrics. The Provost’s office is nonetheless interested in looking at the metrics as per the FS’s request to see if any changes can maximize enrollment] Wants the FS to ask the Provost to look into this.

-Webster: should we send a letter or refer this issue to a committee to gather information?

-Garrett: the change was handed down to us from the previous Provost. We had very few students this past summer. Agree with Ezeani

-Musgrove: how about we ask the Provost, who has the info on this to explore the calendar for the summer in an effort to address our concern that we maximize this coming summer's enrollment.

-Brown: there may be an academic difficulty in moving the calendar.

-Turpin: agrees with Brown

-Pearson: Motion, FS letter to the provost asking that he look at the summer calendar to see how we can maximize enrollment and revenue from summer classes. Ask for an understanding of why the decline in enrollment occurred last summer – not for the purpose of rehashing old issues but for the purpose of increasing future enrollment. Last summer's decline could have been the product of a number of different factors: competition with the community college, change in schedule from 4/4, 8 to 6/6, 8 week program, or the changes as to when the summer semesters started and stopped, for instance.

-Garrett: Second

Discussion:

-Brown: Request for friendly amendment that allows senate oversight of changes in the calendar. (Not accepted)

-Musgrove: call the question

-Motion carries unanimously by voice vote.

-Harris: Banner glitch that kicks students out of classes needs to be addressed.

Motion: Harris that we send a letter to --not identified-- that faculty need a policy or procedure for dismissing students from class after they have been dropped from the class in banner.

Second: Khatri

Discussion:

-Onasanya: students need workshops for how to manage their UDC (financial) accounts so that they are not caught unaware by unpaid bills.

Vermillion: By synching banner and blackboard teachers can no longer see which students have dropped the class in blackboard. When the systems were not synched, faculty could still track students in blackboard who had been dropped from banner.

-Several members voice their frustrations with banner and the new policy of dropping students out of banner who are behind in their bills.

-Musgrove: Motion to table the current motion and assign the issue to Admission and Retention Committee.

-Second: Garrett

-Passed unanimously by voice vote.

-Turpin: Retention budget: can departments get any access to retention money? Colleges and Departments need to play a bigger role in this process.

-Several senators address the issue

-Pearson: Departments get money from their colleges. And departments need to be proactive and get money from their colleges for recruitment and be active in

existing recruitment activities run by the recruitment office.  
Issue dropped.

King-Berry: admissions is continuing to inform students that the special education program is closed and that they can not apply. Students are being asked to enroll in human development again. Motion to refer this issue to ASPPC for investigation. The letter would go to the Provost.

-Vermillion: Friendly Amendment, Asks that inquiry by ASPPC be expanded to all “asterisked” programs.

-King-Berry: amendment accepted

-Call the question.

-Motion passes unanimously by voice vote.

-Reorganization

Musgrove: we can not sort the data from the Noel Levits study. We need to look at specific changes that certain departments are opposed to and make targeted arguments about those specific changes.

### **VIII. Adjournment**

Khatri: motion to adjourn

Musgrove: second

Unanimously approved with a big sigh