

Medical Center and his visits to Washington are all activities noted by President Hundert.

He asked the Executive Committee to pick a few big issues to work on to advance the mission of the University and to draw attention to the University and its faculty.

Interim Provost's Announcements

Dr. Lynn Singer noted the theme for the University this academic year as Knowledge and the Senses. Dr. Oliver Sachs' (our Fall Convocation speaker) book fits well into this theme which will be more fully developed through other forums during the year. She mentioned a number of awards - Wright Center/Fuel Cells, stem cell research, neurostimulation, NSF Advance Award for advancement of women faculty in science and engineering which is a \$3.5 million dollar award for 5 years to focus on ways to change the campus culture. Expect more on this in the future.

Organizational Change - Student Life will now report to the Office of the Provost and a search will begin, after confirmation of a new dean for the College of Arts and Sciences, for a vice provost in this area. Sue Nickel-Schindewolf is heading a program to help us create a community of scholars, and Lynn Singer asked what faculty perks would attract faculty to identify with one of the residential colleges. Other changes are that Don Feke has added to his time in the Provost's Office and Kathryn Karipides will be serving part time in the interim as well.

Admissions - Enrollment of 880+ is the highest we have ever had, but it is at a slight cost in SAT scores. We cannot change our financial structure too much, especially in the area of merit scholarships, which means we are still "buying" our best students.

Other areas of note are the exchanges and programs with Fisk University and a collaboration with the Musical Arts Association for discounted tickets to events, coffee shops to attract students and, possibly, a faculty dining room in their restaurant area. The Women's Center dedication is October 23rd

Chair's Announcements

Professor David Singer's announcements were of a housekeeping nature. In the summer of 2002, the Law School petitioned for approval of a change in their academic calendar to a 13 week semester which was approved by last year's Faculty Senate Executive Committee and failed to get noted in any of the minutes. There is still a vacancy in committee chairs for the Minority Affairs Committee, as well as the need for a new member to replace Stephen Haynesworth who also served as the chair. Dr Dorothy Miller, Director of the Women's Center and an adjunct member of the faculty was nominated by the Nominating Committee, Kathy Farkas, chair, and approved unanimously. The chair will be announced later.

Activities that day to commemorate September 11th were noted, and all observed a minute of silence.

Changes the School of Dentistry

Dr. Stephen Wotman spoke on behalf of Dean Jerold Goldberg and read the resolutions to change the name of the school to the School of Dental Medicine, the name of the degree to the D.M.D. (Doctor of Dental Medicine) and for the discontinuance of two departments, the Department of Restorative Dentistry and the Department of General Practice Dentistry and instead establish the Department for the Practice of General Dentistry, and, lastly, the establishment of the new Department of Biological Sciences. He elaborated on the reasons and the background, noting the time when the Department of Oral Biology was eliminated. The school's faculty overwhelmingly support these changes, the alumni support the name change, and they would like to have the discussion at the level of the Provost's Office on how to make the transition for students and of the degrees.

In response to several questions, Dr. Wotman said that all the effected faculty would be happy, existing Ph.D. programs would continue to be housed in their present departments, and

that the name change in the degree better reflects that their work includes more than dental practice. There was one suggestion to expand on the term “appropriate people” in the rationale for establishing the Dept. Of Biological Sciences prior to presentation to the Faculty Senate.

There was no further discussion and the MOTIONS PASSED without opposition to place these resolutions before the Faculty Senate.

Amendment to the UUF Academic Integrity Policy