**COM Faculty Council Meeting Minutes**

**January 8, 2024**

Called in: Dr.’s Del Toro, Mehta, King, Kay, Zhang, Zervos, Taliaferro,

* Review minutes from last meeting: Minutes approved and will be posted to website.
* Discussion of DEI: Guest speaker was unable to attend for update.
* Discussion of A/V faculty having representation on the FC council: After much discussion Faculty Council may not be the best place for A/V, since UCF doesn’t control anything for them. Another option may be for them to elect a representative to meet with the Dean monthly or as needed. The second would be for them to have their own Faculty Council. Faculty affairs may be a better fit for them to help with this need. They could appoint a one of their own faculty to represent them at enterprise meetings.
* Executive and Enterprise committee meeting Updates: The Dean is interesting in creating a department of Medical Engineering and technology. Other medical colleges have this department in their medical college. Should be hearing more about this department in the future.
* Senate meeting updates: The next upcoming meeting will be discussing several items. Workday and the PID dashboard. The budget process and how it will work in the future. Changing priorities and departments budget from college to college. The biggest constraint is the money is already taken. The college need new money with no restraints so it can be used for anything.
* BOT/BOG updates: By the end of January the final version of the prohibited expenditures will be out. It will outline what is allowed with anything with a DE or DEI in them. Legal is reviewing a lot of grants and it looks like we should be okay. Going forward check with legal so they can help make sure your grant is written correctly. DEI will be getting a new name.