Members Present: Jonathan Bohlmann, Philip Cusick, William Davidson, Catherine Ernst, Clark Johnson, Jason Merrill, John W. Powell, Hayder Radha, Patricia Schenck, David Solomon, and Vladimir Zelevinsky.

Ex Officio: Robert Banks, David Byelich.

Others: John Revitte, Donna Zischke.

Call to Order: Co-Chairman John Powell called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: The boilerplate agenda used for the 2006-07 meetings was approved at the August 29, 2006 meeting.

Dr. Banks announced that he is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Diversity, and Kevin Epling, a University Relations Office photographer, was shadowing him for the day and his typical daily activities. Dr. Banks will receive the award at the 2007 All-University Excellence in Diversity Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, March 14, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the Clara Bell Smith Center.

Approval of Minutes: Dr. Ernst asked for a correction in the Announcements section in the next-to-the-last line (Correction will be italicized and underlined).

Without objection, the Minutes were approved as amended.

Announcements:

- Dr. Powell reported that Academic Governance is fairly quiet presently. Faculty Council met last week and Task Force I was brought up. He shared that the comments he received from UCFA members last week were very helpful, and he feels that you will hear more discussion on the concept of Faculty Council, Academic Council, and ECAC. The committees should come up during the next Faculty Council meeting. The fixed-term appointment was approved by Faculty Council and will go to Academic Council today. When approved, those faculty who have been involved three years into the governance system, they will be eligible to serve on academic standing committees except the University Committee on Faculty Tenure.

- Dr. Banks briefly spoke about the Academic Governance structure and where we presently have both Faculty Council and Academic Council and he went on to suggest “why not turn Task Force I on its head” and essentially start with a “body” similar to the Academic Council. They would have a set of considerations that would be limited to a very small set of items, which is the case now in Faculty Council, in which the faculty reps would be the sole voting entity in our current bylaws which have to do with issues of tenure and promotion policy. It would make a smaller structure with fewer meetings during the year. It’s possible that a proposal might be made on remodeling the governance structure along these lines.

- David Byelich reported the Senate’s Appropriation Committee rejected the governor’s proposed Executive Order.
Subcommittee Reports:

**Budget:** Catherine Ernst, Acting Chairperson  
Dr. Ernst reported that the subcommittee was continuing to review the budget model and there will be changes according to what the state does with the budget.

**Personnel Policy:** Terry Link and David Solomon, Co-Chairpersons  
Dr. Solomon reported that Kristine Zayko worked with the subcommittee and reviewed the Outside Work for Pay - Frequently Asked Questions document. The subcommittee will send a thank you to Ms. Zayko for her excellent assistance with this project.

Dr. Davidson briefly reported on the second consultant to work with the Health Care Options Task Force, Dr. Paul B. Ginsburg, from Washington, D.C. His power point presentation as well as his public presentation will be on the UCFA web page within the week. The January 18 presenter, Dr. Roger Feldman, and Dr. Ginsburg made similar points about Centers of Excellence, higher deductions, and stated that the faculty could certainly be “driving force” in finding possible changes to the system to make health care better.

**Old Business:** Dr. Solomon presented the Faculty Service Recognition Program memo response to the Executive Committee of Academic Council (ECAC). After some wordsmithing, a motion was made by Dr. Zelevinsky, supported by Dr. Bohlmann, to approve this memo and forward it to the Secretary for Academic Governance to be put on the February 27th ECAC agenda. The motion carried.

**New Business:** No new business was noted.

A motion was made by Dr. Merrill, supported by Dr. Radha to adjourn to subcommittee meetings. The motion carried.

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**Adjournment:** UCFA adjourned to subcommittees at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary