



***Below are news and updates of FUSA items of interest to the FT faculty from the FUSA Council Meeting September 24, 2021:***

1. FUSA council is planning a member social before the first bargaining session. Stay tuned for details!
2. FUSA council will attend a budget workshop with administration October 6th to learn how certain things are budgeted. This will help us with bargaining.
3. Using the information gathered from the survey, FUSA council continues to have talks with HR about the issues faculty are experiencing during this fall semester regarding office hours, ADA accommodations for faculty, bookstore issues, and technology problems in the classroom.
4. UFF has formed a HERO team (Higher Education Regional Outreach) to divide the state into sections to have a more organized approach to fighting and supporting whatever bills are introduced. We need some more volunteers to get involved with the resistance movement. This is open to all full-time faculty.
5. FUSA council has requested that the contracts which were sent to faculty to be signed be resent with the correct salary/step for the 20/21 academic year. The correct step should reflect the step we received late in the year with the one-time payment.
6. Administration has decided that Zoom will be extended until the end of this school year.
7. Because of the numerous issues with the bookstore and suppliers, administration has hired a consultant who will be reviewing our bookstores and attempting to identify the problems.

***Faculty are also encouraged to forward concerns to their campus representative:***

***Brandon:*** Kristen Heathcock, Sami Kadamani, Janet Willman

***Dale Mabry:*** Walt Ellis, Eric Fiske, Sharon Moran, Susan Pierce-Amaral, Janet Sibol, Sherry Sippel, Becky Todd, John Whitlock

***Plant City*** Teresa Galloway, Charity Freeman

***Southshore*** Denise Bristol, Wendy Pogoda

***Ybor City*** Jeremy Bullian, Rick Gaspar, Judy Nolasco, Tom Tankersley

Next Council Meetings – October 22, January 28, February 25, March 25, April 22, May 27, and June 24