



REFORMED UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP

Florida Joint Committee on Campus Ministry 04/23/2014

Location:

Orlando, Florida,
La Quinta Inn and Suites, 7160 N. Frontage Road

Members Present:

Central FL Presbytery: TE Mike Osborne, RE Len Hardison, TE Randy Greenwald,
TE Curt Moore
Gulf Coast Presbytery: TE Dennis Shackelford, TE Bob Evans, TE Clif Wilcox
North Florida Presbytery: TE Rob Pendley, RE Craig Carter
TE David Burke, RE Larry Eubanks, TE Steve Lammers
Gulf Stream Presbytery: TE Matt Wilson
Southwest Florida Presbytery: **Chairman** TE Rod Culbertson, RE Ken Pothoven,
TE Steve Casselli, TE Jeff McDonald
South Florida Presbytery: TE Michael Woodham
Sun Coast Presbytery: RE Chick Shue

Campus Ministers (CM):

TE Tommy Park:	UNF
TE David Story:	FSU
TE Ande Johnson:	UCF
TE Jeff Lee:	USF
Open Campus	UF

Guests: TE JR Foster, Florida Area Coordinator, Lee Wright (Candidate)

1. **Mike Osborne** began the meeting at 1005 hours and with a devotional on the “theme of disappointment” from Gen 29 (Jacob and Rachel/Leah) and from Gen 40 (Joseph in prison). Rod Culbertson then opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Campus Minister Reports: (up to 15 minutes each)

A. **Ande Johnson, UCF** – Ande reported that he has been called to transition to LSU to continue his work as a campus minister. He reported on the blessings of his years as UCF and the emotions of saying goodbye. He asked for prayer as he moves his family, and his desire to finish well at UCF and for a smooth transition in selling their present home and move to their new home and work. Mike Osborne led the committee in a prayer for Ande and his family.

B. **Tommy Park, UNF** – Tommy sent out a highlight video to the committee prior to today's meeting and he announced that he is celebrating his 7th year at UNF. Tommy reported that he lost his intern due to financial issues this year, but that this caused the students to step up and take more ownership in the ministry. He is taking 22 to 25 students to Summer Conference at Panama City Beach this summer. Tommy shared a number of stories of how the Lord has been at work in the hearts and lives of some of his students this year. The campus account is in its most healthy state ever, and the committee is thankful for how the Lord has provided, as the viability of this work was in question only a year ago. Tommy is getting a new male intern this fall. Larry Eubanks led the committee in a prayer for Tommy and his family and the work at UNF.

C. **Jeff Lee, USF** – Jeff reported that he was deeply encouraged last night as his first group of seniors shared how RUF had impacted their lives. He is looking forward to taking his students to Summer Conference in Panama City Beach in a couple of weeks. He is looking forward to working with his ministry team who is eager and excited about the work. Jeff and his wife had their third child this year and he reported that he and Jenny are celebrating their 10th anniversary and a friend of the ministry is sending them on a nice trip to the Cayman Islands. Matt Wilson led the committee in a prayer for Jeff, his family and the ministry at USF.

D. **David Story, FSU** – David is looking forward to his end of the year banquet with his students this Friday. David celebrated the good work of his Intern (Molly Athey) who has done a tremendous work on the campus with his students. David asked for prayer for Molly's mother who is struggling with cancer. David reported that his family is doing well and he is wrapping up his 10th year at FSU. David shared several stories of how God has been at work in the relationships of his students this year. Michael Woodham led the committee in a prayer for David and his family and work.

E. **UF** – Rod Culbertson reported that he was able to go to UF in the month of January to fill in for the UF large group. He reported that the interns have done a great job of filling in and keeping the momentum going on the campus through the end of the school year. Rob Pendley led the committee in a prayer for the work at UF and for Tim Carper as he transitions to UF this fall.

F. **Florida Gulf Coast University** – RE Chick Shue, chairman of RUF Suncoast Presbytery, shared with the committee the progress of Suncoast Presbytery in developing the work at FGCU. He is hopeful that the work will get some traction in the local churches soon and that the Lord will raise this work up for next fall. Rod Culbertson led the committee in a prayer for FGCU.

3. Interview with Lee Wright, RUF candidate for UCF

Lee was presented to the committee and he shared the story of his conversion, call to ministry, and background information. Lee is married and a graduate of Covenant Theological Seminary with both an MDiv and a Counseling degree. Lee has passed RUF Assessment, and has come under the care of Central Florida Presbytery in preparation for licensure and ordination.

4. Order of the Day: 1215 hour: Catered Lunch, Steve Casselli led the committee in giving thanks before lunch.

At 1300 hours the committee resumed the interview of Lee Wright. The committee asked various questions on theology and philosophy of ministry.

At 1335 hours, Lee was asked to step out of the room

MSP: FL Joint Committee is pleased to recommend Lee Wright to Central Florida Presbytery as the next Campus Minister at UCF.

At 1355 hours Lee was brought back into the room and encouraged to prepare well for his ordination trials. TE Randy Greenwald led the committee in prayer for Lee and his family.

5. Campus Financial Reports and Statewide Development Discussion (as time allows)

Rod Culbertson shared briefly that ministry accounts are as healthy as they have been in a while and that none of our Florida campus ministries are in deficit at this time.

6. Report from Area Coordinator JR Foster.

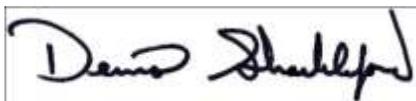
JR shared with the committee a brief report regarding the announcement of the RUF Permanent Committee naming TE Tom Cannon as the next National Coordinator of Reformed University Ministries pending his election at the upcoming General Assembly.

New/Other Business Next Meeting:

MSP - To hold the next meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, in Orlando at La Quinta Inn and Suites, 7160 N. Frontage Road .

MSP to adjourn at 2:15 pm, TE David Burke led the committee in a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



Dennis Shackleford
Clerk of Committee

