

## Faculty Senate Minutes

Monday, October 16, 2023, 3:10 p.m., Zoom

### Senate Roster for 2023-2024:

Austin Showen (MUSC), Haley Albright (CHEM), Robert Anthony (SCCJ), James Broomall (HIST), Court Company (BIOL), Larry Daily (PSYC), Rhonda Donaldson (LIB), Tuncer Gocmen (ECON), Karen Green (SOWK), Max Guirguis (PSCI), Osman Guzide (CME), Melissa Hall (RSES), Brenda Johnston (NURS), Heidi Hanrahan (ENGL/LANG), Belinda Mitchell (EDUC), David Modler (ART), Sytil Murphy (DEPS), Robert Richardson (BADM), Cindy Vance (ACCT), Kevin Williams (COMM), Max Guirguis (ACF).

**Officers:** Heidi Hanrahan (President), Belinda Mitchell (Secretary), Larry Daily (Parliamentarian)

**Meeting Schedule (2023-2024):** 8/28/23, 9/18/23, 10/2/23, **10/16/23**, 11/6/23, 12/4/23, 2/5/24, 2/19/24, 3/4/24, 3/18/23, 4/1/24, 4/15/24

Called to order 3:10pm

Austin Showen	MUSC	Present
Haley Albright	CHEM	Present
Robert Anthony	SCCJ	Present
James Broomall	HIST	Present
Courtney Company	BIOL	Present
Larry Daily	PSYC	Present
Rhonda Donaldson	LIB	Present
Tuncer Gocmen	ECON	Present
Karen Green	SOWK	Present
Max Guirguis	PSCI	Present
Osman Guzide	CME	Present
Melissa Hall	RSES	Absent
Brenda Johnston	NURS	Absent
Heidi Hanrahan	ENGL/LANG	Present
Belinda Mitchell	EDUC	Present
David Modler	ART	Present
Sytil Murphy	DEPS	Present
Robert Richardson	BADM	Present
Cindy Vance	ACCT	Present
Kevin Williams	COMM	Present

### I Approval of October 2, 2023 Minutes /Approved M/S/U

### II. Guest: Holly Morgan Frye, Vice President for Student Affairs and Director of Community Relations, update from Athletics Crisis Management Team

Holly Morgan Frye, Vice President for Student Affairs and Director of Community Relations, addressed the Senate, along with Melanie Ford, Principal Systems Analyst, and Jack Shaw, Associate Vice President for Campus Services. They shared updates from the Athletics Crisis Management Team. They are looking not only at what went wrong with the eligibility processes, but at how to improve these processes moving forward. They answered questions about where things stand now, what possible sanctions/fines the University might face, etc. They stressed their prioritization of helping students navigate this crisis.

### **III. Committee Reports**

#### **Assembly Committees and Representatives**

- A. Admissions & Credits (Senator Green) **NR**
- B. Curriculum & Instruction (Senator Daily) **See Appendix**
- C. Core Curriculum (Tim Nixon) **NR**
- D. Advisory Council of Faculty (Senator Guirguis) **NR**

#### **Faculty Senate Committees and Representatives**

- E. Library Liaison (Senator Donaldson) **See Appendix**
- F. Professional Development, Faculty Salary, and Welfare (Senator Anthony) **See Appendix**
- G. Scholarship & Awards (Senators Vance and Murphy) **See Appendix**
- H. Senate Bylaws (Senators Anthony, Guirguis, and Mitchell) **NR**
- I. Washington Gateway (Senator Modler) **NR**

#### **External Committee Representatives**

- J. Calendar Committee (Senator Gocmen) **NR**
- K. Diversity & Equity Committee (Senator Hall) **NR**
- L. Enrollment Management Committee (Senator Broomall) **NR**
- M. Graduate Council (Senator Williams) **NR**
- N. Student Success Committee (Senator Campany) **NR**
- O. Technology Oversight Committee (Senator Guzide) **NR**

#### **Other Committees**

- P. Budget Advisory Council (Senator Campany, Senator Williams, Senator Modler) **NR**
- Q. Internationalization Advisory Council (Senator Modler) **NR**
- R. Threat Assessment Task Force (Senator Albright and Senator Murphy) **NR**

### **IV. Updates/Next Meeting:**

Senator Hanrahan informed the senate of the following updates/reminders

Class Size Policy: Provost Tudor will attend the 11/6 meeting to discuss the new class size policy and respond to specific questions brought by the Senate.

Committee Representation in the Aftermath of Reconstruction: The Senate delegation from each college will serve as a subcommittee, charged with getting feedback and ideas from their college on what the Senate and the Admissions and Credits, Curriculum and Instruction, and Core Curriculum Committees will look like starting next year.

Senators from each college have been charged with asking to appear on the agenda for their next college meeting.

Senators should also consult with their departments/schools.

They will report to the Senate as a whole at the 11/6/23 Senate meeting.

The chairs of A&C, C&I, and Core are also going to gather feedback and ideas from each committee.

These particular committees are only some of the committees we will reexamine. The process must move forward—and quickly, so please be thinking about other committees, too.

**V. Class Observation Procedures:** Volunteers needed for working group. Senators Daily and Broomall volunteered.

**VI. Possible Administrative Realignment of Campus Services**

Senator Hanrahan asked if any questions or concerns regarding realignment of campus services. Small discussion but ultimately no questions or concerns were brought forth.

**VII. New Business**

Academic Prioritization: the senate discussed initial responses to the Academic Prioritization report. Some senators expressed concerns about inaccuracies in the report. Others spoke to the impacts of the cuts on student success and retention particularly cuts impacting first-year classes. There was also concern about the Math major, as it is important for a liberal arts university to have this program.

**VIII. Announcements**

A. Board of Governors Meetings Schedule (4:15 p.m., Storer Ballroom of Student Center)

- 11/9/23
- 12/14/23
- 2/15/24
- 4/18/24
- 6/6/24

B. President's Lecture Series Schedule (6:30 p.m., Byrd CHE)

- 10/23/23: Stephen Hall, Certified mentor – International Business, “China’s access to U.S. technology: Who is winning?”
- 11/27/23: Christian Jorgensen, Legal Counsel at the American Red Cross-National Headquarters, “The Crucible of Law and War: International Humanitarian Law and the Preservation of Humanity during Armed Conflict”

**Adjournment: 4:16pm**

## **Appendix 1: Committee Reports**

### **Curriculum and Instruction:**

Last meeting approved changes to secondary education year-long residency, deletion of intensive English language program, discussion about structure and representation for the committee

**Library:** Change to Public Service desk in order to pool together resources, working hard to make library run smoothly

### **Professional Development, Faculty Salary and Welfare:**

Still trying to find out if there is money for the Mini-grants from University Foundation, will send out email as soon as can

**Scholarship:** Next meeting 10/27, will be discussing representation, last lecturer and details for McMurran