

Faculty Senate Minutes

Regular Meeting

Monday, April 21, 2025 at 3:10 p.m., Blue Gray Room

Attendance:

Rob Anthony (CAHSS at large), Joshua Beck (CBRE at large), Denis Berenschot (EHML), Courtney Company (NAPS), Craig Cline (SABS), Chris Coltrin (CACT), Larry Z. Daily (CAHSS at large), Rhonda Donaldson (LIB), David Gordon (CAHSS at large), Jeff Groff (STEMN at large), Max Guirguis (ACF), Osman Guzide (CSME), Melissa Hall (RSES), Brenda Johnston (NURS), Stacey Kendig (CBRE at large), Amanda Mandzik (BAEF), Sytil Murphy (STEMN at large), Tracy Nichols (EDUC), Laura Robertson (STEMN at large), Austin Showen (MUSC), Cindy Vance (CBRE at large), Jennifer Yablonsky (CAHSS at large)

Officers: Larry Daily (President), Brenda Johnston (Secretary), Craig Cline (Parliamentarian)

I. Approval of April 07, 2025 Minutes: Approved

II. Outcomes of the 2025 Legislative Session (President Hendrix and General Counsel Perdue) Discussion pending legislation.

III. Chair Compensation and Academic Structure (Provost DeRochi)

Dr. DeRochi provided an update on the committee's progress and acknowledged the ongoing challenges stemming from the recent reorganization. Chairs, directors, and deans continue to collaborate and exchange ideas to determine fair and appropriate compensation for faculty serving in leadership roles. He discussed the possible need for reorganization and assured the Senators that any future efforts would be guided by a thoughtfully developed, comprehensive plan. Senators stressed the importance of financial prudence if reorganization moved forward.

III. Committee Reports

Assembly Committees and Representatives

- A. Admissions & Credits (Senator Nichols) No report
- B. Curriculum & Instruction (Senator Cline) No report
- C. Core Curriculum (Monica Larson)

Discussed the decision-making process regarding the ownership of curriculum design. Senator Daily reminded Senators that discussions of this nature were more appropriate for the Faculty Assembly. The Senate no longer has a Senator on the CCC.

- D. Interdisciplinary Curricular Committee (Senator Groff) No report
- E. Advisory Council of Faculty (Senator Guirguis) No report

Faculty Senate Committees and Representatives

- F. Library Liaison (Senator Donaldson) No report
- G. Professional Development, Faculty Salary, and Welfare (Senator Anthony) No report

H. Scholarship & Awards (Senators Vance and Murphy) Faculty report to the Wellness Center at 14:30

I. Senate Bylaws (Senator Cline) No report

J. Washington Gateway (Senator Coltrin) No report

K. Honors Advisory Board (Director Brasher) No report

External Committee Representatives

L. Calendar Committee (Senator Groff) No report

M. Diversity & Equity Committee (Senator Hall) No report

N. Enrollment Management Committee (Senators Showen and Company) No report

O. Graduate Council (Senator Coltrin) No report

P. Student Success Committee (Senator Johnston) No report

Q. Technology Oversight Committee (Senator Guzide) They were unable to reach quorum at the last meeting. The committee is making progress in updating technology across the campus.

A name change for the committee has been discussed outside the committee.

Other Committees

R. Budget Advisory Council (Senator Beck, Senator Berenschot, Senator Company, Senator Robertson) No report

S. Internationalization Advisory Council (Senator Yablonsky) No report

T. Threat Assessment Task Force (Senators Yablonsky and Murphy) No report

IV. Elections for 2025-2026 (Senator Cline)

- **Library:** Senator Donaldson
- **Secretary:** Senator Johnston
- **Professional Development:** Senator Showen
- **Scholarship and Awards:** Senator Murphy and Senator Vance
- **Senate Bylaws:** Senators Showen and Guirguis
- **Washington Gateway:** Senator Yablonsky
- **Calendar Committee:** Senator Groff
- **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:** Senator Hall
- **Enrollment Management:** Senator Company
- **Graduate Council:** Senator Showen
- **Student Success:** Senator Johnston
- **Technology Oversight:** Senator Guzide
- **Budget Advisory Council:** Senators Beck, Berenschot,
- **International Advisory Council:** Senator Yablonsky
- **Threat Assessment:** Senator Murphy and Donaldson
- **Parliamentarian:** Senator Cline

V. Updates/Progress on Senate Actions/Discussions

A. Faculty voice survey (Senator Anthony) “Faculty Voice” survey presented. See attached overview. This survey will be anonymous and reviewed to identify themes with the purpose of creating an executive report to present to the BOG.

B. Faculty Research Forum: The membership is unclear and it was suggested that it be a standing committee. This topic will be on the Fall Agenda.

C. Document shredding event:

VI. New Business

VII. Announcements

BOG. Meeting June 12, 2025 4:15 p.m.

Meeting Schedule (2024-2025): The regular meetings of the Faculty Senate shall be held every first and third Monday at 3:10 p.m. during the academic year when classes are in session. Dates (bold is current meeting, italics are special meetings): *07/23/24*, *8/26/24*, *9/16/24*, *10/7/24*, *10/21/24*, *11/4/24*, *11/18/24*, *12/2/24*, *2/3/25*, *2/17/25*, *3/3/25*, *3/17/25*, *4/7/25*, **4/21/25**

Meeting Adjourned: 5:07 pm

Fall Meeting Schedule TBA