

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes  
 October 12, 2023  
 3:30-5:30pm  
 Zoom Videoconferencing

**Members present:**

	Present		Present		Present
Achilov Dilshod	X	Dempsey Anna		Manning Kenneth	X
Ahrens Scott	X	Eckert Maureen		Marshall Douglas	X
Albin Laurel		Eisenhart Chris	X	Mehrtens Cristina	
VACANT		Evans Shari		Mofford Kari	X
Anguelov Nick		Fair Meghan	X	Moisander Pia	
Arkerson Robin	X	Fields Keota	X	Msangi Ziddi	X
Arora Anupama		Fisher Anthony		Neto Catherine	X
Arruda Elisabeth		Fisher Robert		O'Rielly Grant	X
Avery Shannon	X	Fletcher Megan		Olitsky Neal	
Ayotte Brian	X	Fowler Alex	X	Pacheco Sonia	X
Barrett Diana		Franz Laura		Rajaniemi Tara	
Berggren Heidi		Gardner Catherine		Reda Danya	
Bhowmick Sankha		Gulbrandsen Karen	X	Revell Andrew	
Borim Dario		Hall Maureen	X	Roscoe Doug	X
Botvin Joshua	X	Huang Rui		Santavicca Nicholas	X
Bowman Julie	X	Jia Xiaofei	X	Scarano Frank	X
Bromage Erin	X	Kayumova Shakhnoza		Schuler Monika	
Buck Elisabeth	X	Khatib Firas	X	Silby Mark	
Caldera Kathryn		Kim Saeja	X	Silva Glaucia	

Casero	Eric	X	Kish	Robin		Sneider	Matthew	X
Clark	Jennifer	X	Klobucka	Anna		Tandon	Amit	
VACANT			Li	Yuzhu	X	Turcotte	Heather	X
Cowles	Geoff		Lohrenz	Steven		Viveiros	Jennifer	X
Curran	Catharine	X	VACANT			Wang	Honggang	
Darst	Robert	X	Lubinsky	Crystal		Winslow	Benjamin	X
Dawe	Megan	X	Lynch	Devon	X	Witzig	Stephen	
DeLuca	Katherine		Manke	David	X	Wood	Emma	

30 GUESTS

## **FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA**

**October 12, 2023, 3:30-5:30pm, Zoom**

- Call to Order at 3:35pm
- Admin Notes (Brian Ayotte)
  - ∅ Use Zoom hand to be recognized to speak
  - ∅ Gathering questions and comments for invited guests prior to the meeting
  - ∅ Meetings are not venues for individual concerns
- President's Report (Brian Ayotte)
  - ∅ Still openings on various Senate committees
  - ∅ LMS implementation nearing next decision point
  - ∅ Continue discussion on course caps and minimums in November
  - ∅ Met with David Gingerella to discuss some issues and possible solutions
- Committee Reports
  - ∅ Scheduling Committee (Heather Turcotte)
    - Survey sent out
      - Responses received through May/June
      - Sent to multiple departments and people responsible for scheduling
    - Survey results
      - No one time that everybody can come together
      - Focus should be on whether there are better times or few that we could alternate back and forth
      - Times that seem available are:
        - Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 12-12:50pm

- Fridays 2-5pm
  - Question of availability to attend meetings, etc.
- ∅ By-Laws Committee (Doug Roscoe)
  - Two pieces of old business
    - Possible renaming of the research committee
      - No need to change
    - Issue of quorum
  - New business
    - Dropping quorum to 40%, which is 32 senators
    - Special rule: require big motions to be stated at 2 separate meetings for deliberation
    - Making Robert's Rules the parliamentary authority in the bylaws
    - Electing all committees not just General Education and UCC
      - May increase involvement by additional faculty
- ∅ SGPI Committee (Jennifer Viveiros)
  - Looking for faculty interested in joining
  - Updates to come
- Facilities Update (David Gingerella)
  - ∅ STAR Store update
    - All university-owned equipment has been moved out
    - Still have outstanding issues to work out
  - ∅ Building renovations
    - CVPA building up for updates after LARTS
      - Roof, windows, and water penetration
    - Textiles & Violette afterwards
- New Business
  - ∅ Working on the charge for the ad hoc committees
    - Will post on myCourses and ask for volunteers
- Provost's Report (Ram Bala)
  - ∅ Planning alternate spaces and times for classes
  - ∅ Considering alternate spaces for faculty offices and student services
  - ∅ Verification and textbook orders
    - Federally required activities with implications for institutional aid
  - ∅ CCB Dean search
    - Forming the committee – seeking faculty representation
  - ∅ Professional development and wellness opportunities
  - ∅ Strategic planning process will start soon
- Motion to Adjourn
  - ∅ Made (Benjamin Winslow) and seconded