

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2024
3:00-5:00pm
Grand Reading Room

Members present:

	Present		Present		Present
Achilov Dilshod		Fair Meghan	X	Mehrtens Cristina	
Alves Heloisa		Fields Keota		Mofford Kari	X
Anguelov Nick		Fisher Robert		Moisander Pia	
Arkerson Robin	X	Fletcher Megan		Msangi Ziddi	X
Arora Anupama		Franz Laura		Mulnix Jennifer	
Arruda Elisabeth		Gardner Catherine		Neto Catherine	
Ayotte Brian	X	Gelmi Caroline		Nulty Timothy	
Barrett Diana		Gulbrandsen Karen		O’Rielly Grant	X
Berggren Heidi	X	Hall Maureen		Owens Lisa	X
Botvin Joshua		Heffernan Lorraine	X	Pacheco Sonia	X
Bowman Julie	X	Huang Rui		Peteva Elena	
Bromage Erin	X	Hunter Revell Susan	X	Rajaniemi Tara	
Caldera Kathryn		Kayumova Shakhnoza		Revell Andrew	
Casero Eric	X	Khatib Firas	X	Roscoe Doug	
Chalivendra Vijaya		Kim Saeja	X	Santavicca Nicholas	
Clark Jennifer		Kish Robin		Scarano Frank	
Clinton Christopher	X	Klobucka Anna		Schuler Monika	
Cowles Geoffrey		Li Yuzhu		Shea Timothy	X
Curran Catharine		Lohrenz Steven	X	Silby Mark	X
Darst Robert	X	Lubinsky Crystal	X	Silva Glaucia	

Dawe	Megan	X	Lynch	Devon	X	Sneider	Matthew	X
DeLuca	Katherine		Manke	David		Tandon	Amit	
Dempsey	Anna		Manning	Kenneth		Turcotte	Heather	
Drew	Margaret		Marshall	Douglas	X	Viveiros	Jennifer	X
Eckert	Maureen		Mayes	Maricris		Winslow	Benjamin	X
Eisenhart	Christopher	X	McGuire	Chad	X	Wood	Emma	X
Evans	Shari		McHenry	Kristen	X	Xing	Liudong	

10 GUESTS

FACULTY SENATE MEETING AGENDA

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- Call to Order at 3:05pm
- Administrative Notes
 - ⌘ Changes to today's agenda
 - Holger Dippel's Presentation re Transition to Teams moved to March
 - Refer to transition website for details about the transition
 - Admissions Committee presentation moved to March
- President's Report (Brian Ayotte)
 - ⌘ Grade appeals board is looking for a College of Engineering representative
 - ⌘ General Education committee needs a Humanities and Visual & Performing Arts representative
 - ⌘ Reminder to committee chairs to schedule their meetings for spring semester in advance
 - ⌘ Update on the reapportionment of seats in the Senate
 - Preview of the anticipated changes
 - ⌘ Committee updates
 - Learning Modalities Committee is reconvening to review the voted-on guidelines to update and address issues that have come up
 - Ad Hoc Facilities Committee will be meeting for the first time
 - Nathan Rubien is the new committee chair
- Committee Reports
 - ⌘ Research Committee (Melissa DeRoche)
 - Review of work completed since last report

- Worked with the Chief Research Officer to streamline the IRB process
 - Supported the Provost's Office in reviewing proposals for University Fellows Grants and contributed to the Internal Sea Grant review
 - Working with the Technology Committee regarding recent IT issues that impact research processes
 - Looking at the International Travel Clearance Process
 - Involved with the Institutional Repository Project
 - Upcoming work for Spring 2025
 - Work on streamlining computational research purchases on grants
 - Ongoing need for dedicated IT support
 - Speeding up faculty research hiring
- ⌘ Student-Faculty Academic Affairs Committee (Benjamin Winslow)
 - Policy Proposal: Academic Integrity Process
 - Summary of current process
 - Proposed changes
 - Creation of a Faculty Academic Board (FAB) - board of faculty members and 2 students to help make decisions when reviewing academic integrity violation cases
 - Timeline for the process
 - Discussion of current policy and proposed changes
- Invited Guests
 - ⌘ Enrollment Update (Jim Anderson)
 - Overview of the various enrollment pipelines
 - Overview of technology use to streamline work
 - Goal is to understand the factors that impact students' decision to attend
 - Issues this academic year
 - Rocky rollout of the new FAFSA – shift demographics of students
 - Low visa approval rate from India
 - Discussion about enrollment strategies and processes
- New Business
 - ⌘ Announcement of upcoming events
- Unfinished Business
 - ⌘ None
- Provost's Report (Ram Bala)
 - ⌘ Update on recruitment pipelines: early college program, community colleges, international students
 - Working on articulation agreements with community colleges
 - Creation of Office of Academic Partnerships for greater coordination between enrollment management and academic affairs
 - ⌘ Update on current enrollment numbers vis-a-vis university budget

- ⌘ Update on retention/student success
 - First draft of student success map created
 - Working with students from application to graduation
 - Math placement test has been updated
- ⌘ Implications of the changes from Federal government
 - Working with general counsel
 - 3 working groups: Research, Immigration, and DEI
- Motion to adjourn (Chad McGuire) and seconded (Firas Khatib)
 - ⌘ Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm