

Agenda for Faculty Senate
Wednesday, September 8, 2021

Zoom Meeting Link

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Meeting ID: 992 9063 8526

3:00-4:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Minutes from April 24, 2021

A. **Motion to Approve** the Minutes from April 24, 2021

III. Introduction of New and Returning Senators

IV. Proposed Schedule of Faculty Senate Meetings for the Fall Semester 2021

- 9/8
- 9/22
- 10/6
- 10/20
- 11/3
- 11/17
- 12/8 (finals week) if needed

V. **Motion to Approve** the Meeting Schedule

VI. Election of Faculty Senate Officers (It is recommended that officers have at least one year of experience as a senator)

- A. Recorder - Kate Shannon - current
- B. Parliamentarian - Rolando Diaz - current
- C. Treasurer - Stan Alluisi - current

VII. Committee Reports

Membership has been formed for each of the sub-committees and can be found on the FS Black-board site along with the charges for the committee. The previous chair should schedule an initial meeting to elect a new chair prior to the next general meeting.

- A. Budget Committee

B. Committee on Committees

1. **Motion to approve** Stewart Mayers to replace Susan Morrison on the Faculty Appellate Committee. Rachel Callicoaat declined her appointment after our last meeting in May 2021.
2. DEC Proposal: Change in membership. The official proposal can be found on the FS Bb site. Please prepare a motion to be discussed at the next general meeting.

C. Executive Committee

1. Schedule of Meetings

- a) 9/20
- b) 10/19 (Tuesday)
- c) 11/8

2. Schedule of Meetings with the President

- a) 9/27
- b) 10/25
- c) 11/15

3. Shared Governance Forums - Faculty Senate Topic

- a) October 11, 2pm (Faculty Senate Topic)
- b) November 16, 2pm (Administration Topic)

4. Faculty Senate Survey

- a) Posted on the Bb site and on the website. The survey that contains the comments is password protected. Please review the results and prepare for some discussion at the next meeting.

D. Personnel Policies Committee

E. Planning Committee

F. University Affairs Committee

VIII. Blackboard Site

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

3. **Proposal:** Recommend that post-tenure review be postponed this year, upon request by the faculty member. **Rationale:** The pandemic has placed constraints on opportunities for research and professional development which could have a negative effect on the review.

XII. Announcements

1. Faculty Senate Chairs and other officers were invited to attend a virtual meeting to discuss how the regional institutions were handling the pandemic in regard to protocols for masks, teleworking, vaccinations, etc.
 - a. No mask mandates are in place at the institutions that were represented. Masks are encouraged, but not mandated.
 - b. Most are offering incentives to get vaccinated in the form of scholarship lotteries (exceptions are offered for those who cannot get vaccinated due to documented medical reasons) and one-time stipends.
 - c. Some institutions ask instructors not to offer incentives, such as extra points, for wearing masks after consultation with their legal service.
 - d. A 'pledge' to 'mask-up' has been offered and is being discussed. Details are still uncertain.
 - e. Other meetings were suggested so Faculty Senate leaders at regional institutions can visit and talk about common concerns.
 - f. In attendance from SE were Kay Daigle, William Fridley, Kate Shannon, and Karl Frinkle representing the SE AAUP chapter.

XIII. Adjournment