

Faculty Senate (FS) Minutes
Fall Semester, Meeting #1
Wednesday, August 31st, 2022
Hybrid (Russell 100 & Zoom), 3:00-4:30 p.m.

ATTENDING

Laura Atchley	Srimal Garusinghe	Rob Shauger
Kathleen Boothe	Ashley Hampton	Matthew Sparacio
Brandon Burnette	Andy Kramer	Jeri Walker
Meg Cotter-Lynch	Amy Mills	Doug Wood
Steve Csaki	Chris Moretti	Frank Xu
Amy Gantt	Kate Shannon	Mila Zhu

ABSENCES

Cody Bogard	Randy Clark
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GUESTS

Jimmie Flores	Amanda Hoffpauir	Ami Towne
Ian Gerg	Dena Rymel	

I. Call to Order – 3:03 PM

II. Minutes from April 24, 2021

A. **Motion to Approve** the Minutes from April 27, 2022 – Senator Shannon

1. **Second** – Senator Sparacio
2. **Discussion** – n/a
3. **Vote to Approve** – Yes - 12; No - 0; Abstain – 1; passes.

III. Introduction of New and Returning Senators

A. Faculty Senate Election Results

1. School of Arts and Science Senators for 2022-2025 terms: Amy Gantt, Chris Moretti, and Matthew Sparacio.
2. School of Education and Behavioral Sciences Senators for 2022-2025 terms: Laura Atchley and Amy Mills.
3. John Massey School of Business Senator for 2022-2025 term: Frank Xu.
4. Library Senator serving for Fall 2022 semester: Brandon Burnette.

IV. Proposed Schedule of Faculty Senate Meetings and Shared Governance Forums

A. **Motion to Approve** the Meeting Schedule – Senator Walker

1. **Second** – Senator Gantt
2. **Discussion** – These dates have already been approved by President Newsom.
3. **Vote to Approve** – Yes - 13; No - 0; Abstain – 0; passes unanimously.

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

A. Chair – Elect: TBD

1. Unclear what the proper procedure is. We need to select a new chair-elect for a one-year interim term.
2. QUESTION: does a chair-elect require a vote that is open to all faculty?
 - a) **Suggested Amendment** to Section F: *In the case of a chair stepping down, the chair-elect who is moved into the chair position early will complete the rest of the replaced chair's term until it expires. The individual who was chair-elect-then-elevated-to-chair will then serve the time-frame they were expected to serve upon their original election as chair-elect.*
 - (1) To be voted on next meeting to update the FS Constitution.

B. Recorder: Matthew Sparacio.

C. Parliamentarian: Robert Shauger.

D. Treasurer: Steve Csaki.

VI. Committee Reports

A. New Senators, please complete the committee survey on Blackboard.

1. Membership has been formed for each of the sub-committees and can be found on the FS Blackboard site along with the charges for the committee. New chairs for each sub-committee were elected in the spring. End of Year Reports for each subcommittee were requested prior to the end of the spring semester. If you have not submitted your report, please do so as soon as possible. Chairs are asked to schedule an initial meeting to review charges for the committee.

B. Budget Committee (BC)

1. Did not meet, nothing to report.

C. Committee on Committees (CoC)

1. **Motion to adopt** the 2022-2023 academic year appointments for University Committees and Councils. Discussion is tabled until appointments are confirmed.

D. Executive Committee (EC)

1. Schedule of Meetings
2. 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.

E. Personnel Policies Committee (PPC)

1. Did not meet, nothing to report.

F. Planning Committee (PC)

1. Did not meet, nothing to report.

G. University Affairs Committee (UAC) (minutes submitted but not yet on file)

1. Met on August 30
2. UAC will investigate the overall accessibility of SE policies and look for areas that need to be more easily found, or clarified. We expect to work with the PPC on this endeavor.
3. The UAC discussed the status of academic honesty, cheating, plagiarism etc. relative to policy statements, training, and whether SE has a cohesive policy related to these issues related to academic integrity, as well as clarity for our students
 - a) The UAC will investigate to see if SE has a consistent, organized approach to dealing with how we inform students about issues of academic integrity.
4. Will work to maintain a flow of communication with student government, including attending SGA meeting periodically.
5. The UAC has been given a new charge: *To identify opportunities to engage with administration in the development of the Campus Master Plan and provide an action plan for ongoing engagement in this process.*

VII. Old Business

- A. n/a

VIII. New Business

- A. The first Presidential Strategic Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for 9/9/2022.

1. Files provided for the first meeting are shared in Blackboard.
 - a) This is an opportunity to open up the conversation to prioritize what we as a Senate hope is included during these meetings. Please reach out to Chair Shannon if you have any ideas or concerns after reviewing the OU Strategic Plan and the slides from the President's Address during the SE Annual Faculty and Staff Meeting and Luncheon on 8/18/2022.
- B. An updated APPM Draft will be placed in Blackboard. Please review. VPAA Golden is looking for feedback and assures the APPM remains a public document.

IX. Announcements

- A. The Mutual Mentoring Group (MMG) is a faculty developed and faculty led group intended to provide support to faculty in an attempt to help them succeed in meeting the challenges and expectations that accompany a faculty role.
 1. All Fall Meetings will be held in the Library Collaborative Room (Rm. 203) and on Zoom (<https://se-edu.zoom.us/j/92896079168>). Meetings will be held on successive days, but have the same agenda; there is no need to attend both meetings each month.
 - a) Tuesday Meetings (12:30-1:30 PM CST): 9/6, 10/11, 11/15
 - b) Wednesday Meetings (1-2 PM CST): 9/7, 10/12, 11/16

X. Adjournment – 3:40 PM

- A. **Motion to Adjourn** – Senator Walker
- B. **Second** – Senator Wood

Minutes prepared by Matthew J. Sparacio, Recorder.

