

Faculty Senate Meeting

Monday, April 28th, 2025 - 3:30 pm

Approval of Minutes April 14th, 2025

Informal Statements

President's Report

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- Our next meeting will be held in Woolsey Hall
- Kansas legislature has approved a proviso that all state institutions must comply with state law to receive funding, this includes not using pronouns in email signatures and no DEI positions or activities.
 - The senate executive team is working with the Provost and GC office to understand impact.

2025 KANSAS SENATE BILL No. 125-page 254

Sec. 161.

STATE FINANCE COUNCIL

(a) During fiscal year 2026, on or before August 1, 2025, the secretary of administration, in consultation with the governor's department, shall certify to the members of the state finance council

that all state agencies have:

(1) Eliminated any positions that relate to diversity, equity and inclusion;

(2) eliminated any mandates, policies, programs, preferences and activities relating to diversity, equity and inclusion;

(3) eliminated any training requirements in diversity, equity and inclusion for any employee;

(4) canceled any state grants or contracts relating to diversity, equity and inclusion; and

(5) removed gender identifying pronouns or gender ideology from email signature blocks on state employee's email accounts and any other form of communication.

(b) The secretary of administration shall present such certification and any additional information to the state finance council at a state finance council meeting.

SCCS

Student Conduct & Community Standards (SCCS) is trying to gauge satisfaction and evaluate the services offered by our office in the resolution of academic integrity cases, by gathering feedback from people who may have referred academic integrity cases to the Student Conduct & Community Standards office.

This survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. All responses are anonymous and confidential. The responses will be reviewed by SCCS staff to strengthen the Academic Integrity process. Group results from this survey may be shared with the faculty senate executive board or deans of colleges to further assist with education on the Academic Integrity process.

If you are a faculty member at Wichita State, please complete this survey [here](#), regardless of previous interaction with the Academic Integrity Process. **The survey will close on May 16, 2025.**

If there are any questions, please reach out to Student Conduct & Community Standards at SCCS@wichita.edu.”



Committee Reports

- Planning and Budget - Muether

Old Business

- [Senate Standing Committee structure proposal](#), 2nd Read – Chris Stone
- [Student Success Committee, new committee](#), 2nd Read – Chris Stone
- Planning and Budget Committee [Change to Composition and Charge](#), 2nd Read – Chris Stone

Summary of Proposals

1. **Sunset the following committees:**
 - a. **Academic Integrity Policy Committee**
 - b. **Scholarship and Student Aid Committee**
 - c. **Undergraduate Research Committee**
 - d. **Library Committee**
2. **Stand up new **Student Success Committee (name TBD)****
 - a. **Includes charges from Academic Integrity, Scholarship and Student Aid, and Undergraduate Research**
- ~~3. **Add library charge to Faculty Support Committee**~~
4. **Change composition and charges of Planning and Budget Committee**
 - a. **Change chair from Senate President to Past-President**
 - b. **Update charges to reflect current work**

Student Success Committee

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Composition: 11

- 9 Faculty, one from each Senate division
- 2 students, one UG and one GR
- Stakeholders from relevant campus partners should be invited as needed to participate in discussions pertaining to their areas of responsibility to encourage cooperation and ensure transparency.

Selection: Members are nominated by the Rules Committee to be confirmed by the Senate

Structure:

- 1 chair elected by the committee
- 2 co-chairs to oversee URCAF

Charges:

- Work with campus and community partners to promote a healthy campus climate and student belonging, e.g., as an emerging HSI, age-friendly, transfer destination, and urban serving university.
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- Act as a final appeals board for students with scholarship grievances including but not limited to athletics scholarships that require immediate consideration
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- Administer and review the Undergraduate Research Forum, including ensuring annual continuity.
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New Business

- SEAS Report – Brett Bruner and Ashlie Jack
- Budget Discussion – David Miller and Lyndsey Pletcher
- PIAC Report – Bayram Mehmet

As May Arise

Adjourn
(Next Meeting May 12th –
Woolsey Hall)