

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 10, 2022

3:30-5:00 pm Dual mode meeting - Hubbard Hall 231 and Zoom

Attendance 2022-2023

Ahmed, Alberton, Allen, Barut, Billingham, Boldsai Khan, Bowen, Boynton, Bubp, Buerge, Castro, Celestin, Cluff, Decker, Dehner, Delacruz, Dowling, Dudley, Figy, Hammond, Heilman, Lee, Lockard, Mears, Meyer, Muether, Mullins, Musaji, Myose, Newman, Nicks, Parham, Pisano, Pulaski, Rai, Richburg, Ross, Sherif, Sherwood, Stone, Tamtam, Wallace, Williams.

Excused: Jarman, Newman, Small.

Absent: Baker, Ding, Gilstrap, Hepburn, Jamkartanian, Kuhlman, Salinas Monroy, Solomey.

Agenda Item	Notes/Discussion/Process	Outcome/Action/Completed
Call to order President-Elect Dowling	3:30 pm	
Informal statements and proposals	Senator Williams reminded Senators about a survey sent out on the priorities for the Planning and Budget Committee.	
Approval of minutes	September 26, 2022	MSC
President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responding to a question, no faculty member at WSU has been dismissed for cause in the last two years. The University won't be providing an annual report on this to protect confidentiality. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Senators wanted to follow-up in the future with whose confidentiality is being protected and clarifications about departures with non-disclosure-agreements. • Volunteers requested for the Service Recognition Awards to help welcome honorees and guide through the ceremony. (Need to arrive 45 minutes early.) Email Susan.castro@wichita.edu if you'd like to serve. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wednesday, October 26 from 2:00-4:00 pm (doors open at 1:30 pm), employees celebrating 5-20 years of service will be recognized. <i>This event is open to all employees to attend and celebrate with their colleagues who are honorees.</i> ○ Thursday, October 27 from 6:00-8:00 pm (doors open at 5:30 pm), employees celebrating 25+ years of service, Bender of Twigs, and Retirees will be recognized. • KBOR will be visiting WSU next week. Here is their agenda for the visit. The Regents visit different campuses throughout the academic year. 	
Committee Reports	Rules Committee, Jolynn Dowling, Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rules Committee nominated a Senator to fill a vacancy. Nominee is confirmed via voice vote. ○ Rules Committee made appointment to committee vacancies. Presented as a slate. Appointments are confirmed unanimously via voice vote. 	All appointments were confirmed.

<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WSU Foundation and Alumni – Mike Lamb, VP of WSU Foundation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Foundation and Alumni Association have merged. A new name for the alumni group will be shared soon. One change will be a restart of the Shocker Magazine, a twice-yearly publication sent to alumni. There will be more print communication and reaching out with alumni. ○ Foundation’s main priority is raising funds for need-based student aid. They also are raising funds for the Shocker Success Center / Clinton Hall renovation. The athletic fund is working to raise money for Wilkins Stadium and improving the weight room in Koch arena. • Overview of the university budget cycle – David Miller, University Budget Director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Miller shared an overview of the annual budget cycle, indicating what happens during each month of the fiscal year. • BeoShock HPC (High Performance Computing) governance structure – Terrance Figy, Director of BeoShock HPC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Figy shared a brief history of the BeoShock High Performance Computing system, how it’s being used by classes and researchers, and its current governance structure. A question was raised how this connects with Amazon AWS recent visit to campus. Senator Meyer commented on the importance of having a locally controlled computing system. 	
<p>As May Arise</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senator Billingham noted KBOR is visiting and inquired if there is faculty involvement. WSU Chief of Staff Zach Gearhart noted that it isn’t a regular KBOR meeting but a campus visit, and the Senate Executive Committee will be having breakfast with the Regents on October 20. • Senator Rai shared that the Kansas Secretary of Agriculture will be giving a talk at WSU on November 1, about climate change and the relationship with agriculture and sustainability. A link will be shared in the future. 	

Adjourn: 4:43 pm

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