

Minutes of the September Session of the Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senate held the first meeting of the September session on Thursday, September 14, 2023, in PSU 313. Chair Beth Walker called the session to order at 3:30 p.m. Mike Hudson served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Junyoung Kim for Yating Liang, KN.

Absences: Holly Holladay, MJF; Melinda Hammerschmidt, GL; Mike Reed, PAMS; SGA rep; and GSS rep.

Guests: Chris Craig; COE; Letitia White Minnis, CHHS Dean; Michael Hudson, Parliamentarian; Amber Abernathy, Graduate Council; Julie Masterson, Graduate College; Katrina Chavez, Registrar; and Angela Young, Registrar.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The May minutes were approved as posted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. There will be a carryover meeting, Tuesday, September 19, in PSU Ballroom East. The Senate must meet a timeline for determining Senate representation.
2. Chair Walker asked the Senate to notify the Faculty Senate Office if there is a reason a senator needs to participate via Zoom.
3. Khloe Laurie, secretary of the Wyrick Commission, spoke about the commission and asked for a Faculty Senate volunteer. The Faculty Senate member that is chosen to be on the Wyrick Commission will vote to approve or deny any projects that have been proposed by students and assist with any commission needs (an example of this would be modifying Wyrick guidelines or providing ideas/support to a students proposed project). This commission would meet at least once a month or once every 2 months. Attendance is not mandatory for these meetings; a quorum of three non-student members must be met.

REPORT ON THE EDUCATION PREPARATION PROVIDER COMMITTEE (EPPC)

Chris Craig, Office of the Provost, presented the report on this Faculty Senate committee. The committee is working to update their workflow process and bring it up to compliance with mandated changes.

PRESENTATION FROM SENATE PARLIAMENTARIAN

Mike Hudson discussed the parliamentary rules for meetings.

REPORT FROM GRADUATE COLLEGE

Julies Masterson, Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate College, gave the report on her new position in the Office of the Provost as Faculty Ombudsman. Faculty are welcome to contact her about any issues, and it remains confidential.

REPORT ON FACULTY SUCCESS

Letitia White Minnis, Associate Dean, MCHHS, and Ximena Uribe-Zarain, COE, gave the report. They are planning implementation of faculty success for faculty reviews starting in the spring.

REPORT ON 2022-23 SENATE ACTION SUMMARY

Chair Walker gave the report on last year's Actions and Resolutions.

REPORT FROM ACADEMIC PERSONNEL REVIEW COMMISSION

There were no issues to report.

REPORT ON CURRICULAR WORKFLOW

Chair Walker gave the report. The CAW system has been down and the system is currently working. The OOR reports the technical issues are resolved, except attachments should be in Word and not PDF. If users have issues contact curriculum@missouristate.edu. A new system, Aculog and Curriculog will be implemented in Fall 2024.

Chair Walker discussed CUPA definitions. Ken Brown is working on this and there will be a report soon. Chair Walker plans to meet with him again.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Chair Walker made a motion to move to a Committee of the Whole and invited Senator Foster to report from the Past Chair's Committee meeting. Senator Foster discussed future Senate representation and presented some structure models. Past Chair Mike Hudson spoke against a representative model and spoke about equal representation.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Walker adjourned the meeting at 5:08 p.m.

Melinda Novik
Secretary of the Faculty

The Faculty Senate held the second meeting of the September session on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, in PSU 313. Chair Beth Walker called the session to order at 3:30 p.m. Mike Hudson served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Elizabeth Sobel for Abby Templer Rodrigues, SA.

Absences: Jay McEntee, BI; Fei Wang, CH; Razib Iqbal, CS; Richard Belshoff, MA; James Keaton, AN; Allan Liggett, SM; Jenifer Roberts, MF; Alex Hamwi, MK; Melinda Hammerschmidt, GL; Judith Martinez, Asst Prof Rep; Wajeau White, Instruc Rep; Holly Holladay, MJ; Jason Hausback, MU; Wenping Qiu, PS; Kathleen Hah, SS Rep; SGA Rep; GSS Rep; and Jessican Bennett, LS.

Guests: Michael Hudson, Parliamentarian; and Jill Layman, Anesthesia.

SENATE REPRESENTATION DISCUSSION CONTINUED.

Chair Walker addressed the Senate asking them to discuss and decide how to plan the Senate’s representation for 2024-25 in lieu of the university’s realigned department and school reorganization. The Faculty Senate Office will soon begin preparing for those elections.

Discussion.

Senator Calihman made a motion for the Senate to vote on membership.

Chair Walker called for debate.

Discussion.

Senator Foster made a point of order to stay on the motion on the floor.

Senator Applegate made a motion to call the question.

The motion passed.

Senator Calihman’s original motion passed.

Senator Qiao made a motion to keep the Senate as is.

Senator Thomas Tate called for clarification and Secretary Novik provided it.

Chair Walker stopped the motion due to lack of a second.

Discussion.

Senator McGee made a motion to move to a school model with representation to set up a department as a school and others to have representation like we currently have.

Secretary Novik provided some clarification.

There was no second and the motion failed.

Senator Calihman made a motion to refer to a committee that will present options and make a recommendation the full Senate can vote on. It was seconded.

Senator Foster made a motion to amend the motion, adding “Refer to the Committee of Past Chairs.”

Discussion. It was seconded.

Senator Whisenhunt made a motion to call the question on the amendment motion. It was seconded.

The motion passed.

The motion to amend passed.

Senator Haring made a motion to further amend the main motion to add “to distribute the report to the Faculty Senate by the end of day Friday, October 11th.”

It was seconded.

Discussion.

Secretary Novik made a motion to call the question on the amendment motion. It was seconded.

The motion passed.

The motion to amend passed.

Senator Applegate made a motion to amend the motion to bring forth three recommendations. It was seconded.

Discussion.

Senator Haring made a motion to call the question on the amendment motion.

The motion passed.

The motion to amend failed.

Senator Sandel made a motion to amend by adding volunteers to the committee and ranking the options. It was seconded.

Discussion.

At Chair Walker's suggestion, the Senate unanimously agreed to take "volunteers" out of the language.

Senator Boehne made a motion to call the question on the amendment motion. It was seconded.

The motion passed.

The amendment passed.

Senator Calihman's amended motion passed.

"Refer to the Committee of Past Chairs to present Faculty Senate representation options ranked to the Senate for a vote and distribute the report via email to all Senators by the end of day on October 11th."

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Walker adjourned the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

Melinda Novik

Secretary of the Faculty