

Minutes of the February Session of the Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senate held the February session on Thursday, February 13, 2025, in the PSU 313. Chair Scott Zimmerman called the session to order at 3:30 p.m. Mike Hudson served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Stephen Haggard for Megan Ramsey, Finance; Maureen Templeman for Abby Templer Rodrigues, Sociology & Anthropology;

Absences: Stacy Goddard, Assistant Professor Rep.; Shurita Thomas-Tate, Associate Professor Rep.; Melinda Hammerschmidt, Greenwood; James Keaton, Anesthesia; John Rose, Defense & Strategic Studies; Andy Ward, Physical Therapy; Brooke Whisenhunt, Psychology; and Babur Mirza, Biology.

Guests: Mitzi Kirkland-Ives, FHRC; Jamie Atkinson, Rules Committee; Angela Young, Office of the Registrar; Andrea Miller, FHRC; Maura Lurran, The Standard; Tammy Jahnke, Office of the Provost; and Rachel Besara, Library.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The January 2025 minutes were approved as posted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- If necessary, a carry-over meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. (location TBD)
- Call for Rules Committee members was extended. If interested reach out to Chair Zimmerman or Rules Chair Atkinson.

BALLOT RESULTS FOR VOTE ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FACULTY

The proposed Constitutional amendment passed by a vote of 92% to 8%.

ACTION ON CURRICULAR PROPOSALS

Senator Fatih Benzer/Art and Design

New Program: Graduate Certification in Art Education

APPROVED: SA 11/24-25

REPORT – FACULTY HANDBOOK REVISION COMMITTEE (FHRC)

Senator Liggett made a motion to move to a quasi committee of the whole.

The motion passed.

FHRC Chair Mitzi Kirkland presented an introduction to the project with an informational report. FHRC was charged with updating references and terminology this year. The document revisions will be sent to Senate for the next session.

Senator McIntyre made a motion to postpone the work to the March session.

The motion passed.

REPORT – COMMITTEE ON POLICY REVIEW

Committee Chair Elizabeth Walker presented the report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Kim Finch

Secretary of the Faculty

Senate Action 11-24/25

Adopted by Senate on February 13, 2025

Faculty Senate Chair Must Be Notified of Intent to Challenge By: February 23, 2025
Right of Challenge Expires March 9, 2025

New Program: Graduate Certification in Art Education