Missouri State University

Minutes of the November 2025 Session of the Faculty Senate

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

Substitutes: Julia Troche for Stephen McIntyre, History.

Absences: Kim Finch, Secretary of the Faculty; Jenifer Roberts, Merchandising & Fashion Design; Aaron Sauer, Technology & Construction Management; Adam McGee, Plant Science, Natural Resources & Animal Science; Shannon Hauschildt, Physician Assistant Studies; Brooke Whisenhunt, Psychology; Allan Liggett, Public Health & Sports Medicine; and Jessica Bennett, Library Science

Guests: Jamie C. Atkinson, Chair of Rules Committee; Bryan Brinkman, LCR; Kelly Wood, Student Success; Amy Hulme, BMS/SHS; Alan Schick, Grad Council; and Randi Ulbricht, BMS/SHS.

Approval of Minutes

The October 2025 minutes were approved as posted.

Announcements

- If necessary, a carry-over meeting will be held on November 18, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. (location TBD).
- Bear Pantry

Faculty Senate Elections Report

Faculty Senate Chair, Mike Foster, presented the report.

Presentation from CASL

Marcia Dowdy, CASL Oversight Committee Chair, made the presentation to Senate.

Report from Committee on Rules

Jamie Atkinson, Committee Chair, presented the proposal. Senator Calihman motioned to update proposal with grammatical corrections and to add the words "without vote" to the very end of new section VIII-3bii. Motion passed with unanimous consent.

Action on Curricular Proposals

Senator Scott Zimmerman/Biomedical Sciences
Program Change Appeal: Biology (Comprehensive) BS-Undergraduate
APPROVED: SA 3/25-26

Senator Michelle Harvey/Theatre & Dance
New Program: Advanced Lighting Design for the Stage
APPROVED: SA 4/25-26

Senator Ralph Shain /Political Science & Philosophy
New Program: Biomedical Ethics-Undergraduate
APPROVED: SA 5/25-26

Senator Alejandra Cerdas Cisneros/Languages, Cultures & Religions
New Program: Certificate in Global Studies-Undergraduate
APPROVED: SA 6/25-26

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
None.

ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Kim Finch
Secretary of the Faculty

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