

## **Minutes of the May Session of the Faculty Senate**

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The Faculty Senate held the May organizational session on Thursday, May 11, 2023, in PSU 313. Chair Beth Walker called the session to order at 3:30 p.m. Mike Hudson served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Wafaa Kaf for Bonnie Slavych, CSD; Indira Palacios for Yuhua Qiao, PS;

Absences: Judith Martinez, Asst Prof Rep; Wajeana White, Instructor Rep; Holly Holladay, MJF (sabbatical); Michelle Harvey, TD; Aaron Sauer, TCM; Melinda Hammerschmidt, GLS; Kelsi Opat, AEC; Drew Minnis, SGA; and Dhruv Sitapara, GSS.

Guests: Cindy MacGregor; CLSE/PCOB 120; John Jasinski, Provost Office; Paula Kemp, Math; Pauline Nugent, MCL; Christopher Herr, Theatre & Dance; Kishor Shah, Math; Christi Sudbrook, AREC; Julie Masterson, GC; Victor Matthews, CHPA; Katrina Chavez, Registrar; Angela Young, Registrar; D. Cron, CSD; Ann Rost, MCHHS; Alana Kozlowski, MCHHS; Clay (last name illegible), MCHHS; Kelly Wood, Provost Office; Cassie Prock, Honors College; Scot Handley, Honors College; Corry (last name and dept illegible); Zora Mulligan, EVP; Mark Smith, MCHHS; and Toby Dogwiler, GGP.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The April minutes were approved with a correction to the word “acclamation.”

### **ROLL CALL BY THE SECRETARY OF THE FACULTY**

Secretary of the Faculty Melinda Novik read the roll call for the 2023-2024 Faculty Senate.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. If necessary, there will be a carryover meeting, Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Location tba.
2. Chair Walker welcomed the new 2023-2024 Faculty Senate.

### **SENATE DISCUSSION WITH PROVOST JOHN JASINSKI**

Provost John Jasinski presented updates regarding academic realignment. He answered questions from the Senate.

### **REPORT ON LMS RECOMMENDATION**

Nancy Gordon, Director of the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning and colleagues presented the recommendation.

### **REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FACULTY CONCERNS**

Andrea Applegate, Committee Chair, presented results on the Faculty Survey of Success and Engagement.

### **RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF DR. CHRISTOPHER CRAIG**

Senator Mike Foster moved the Resolution to the floor and read the Resolution.

Dr. Cynthia MacGregor presented Dr. Craig with a special plaque with the Resolution, engraved in braille, on behalf of the Committee of Faculty Senate Past Chairs.

**The Resolution passed by unanimous consent with a standing ovation for Dr. Craig.**

**SR 1-23/24**

### **REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON POLICY REVIEW**

Cindy MacGregor, Committee Chair, delivered the spring 2022-23 report.

### **REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FACULTY BENEFITS**

Ann Rost, Committee Chair, presented the report.

**ACTION ON CURRICULAR PROPOSALS**

**New Interdisciplinary Program: Graduate Certificate in Data Analysis in Applied Sciences**

Moved by Senator Razib Iqbal

**APPROVED**

**SA 1-23/24**

**New Program: Graduate Certificate in Musculoskeletal - Lower Extremity**

Moved by Senator Elizabeth Williamson

**APPROVED**

**SA 2-23/24**

**Delete Program: Leadership**

Moved by Senator Andrew Albritton

**APPROVED**

**SA 3-23/24**

**Delete Program: Entrepreneurial Studies**

Moved by Senator Andrew Albritton

**APPROVED**

**SA 4-23/24**

**Delete Program: International Business**

Moved by Senator Andrew Albritton

**APPROVED**

**SA 5-23/24**

**Delete Program: International Business Studies**

Moved by Senator Andrew Albritton

**APPROVED**

**SA 6-23/24**

**Delete Program: Educational Administration/Secondary Principal-EDS**

Moved by Senator Ximena Uribe-Zarain

**APPROVED**

**SA 7-23/24**

**Delete Program: Educational Administration/Elementary Principal-EDS**

Moved by Senator Ximena Uribe-Zarain

**APPROVED**

**SA 8-23/24**

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF 2022-2023 FACULTY SENATE CHAIR DR. MICHAEL HUDSON**

The Resolution was moved to the floor and Past Chair Christopher Herr read the Resolution.

**The Resolution passed by unanimous consent.**

**SR 2-23/24**

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF 2022-2023 SECRETARY OF THE FACULTY DR. MELINDA NOVIK**

Senator Liggett moved the Resolution to the floor and read the Resolution.

**The Resolution passed by unanimous consent.**

**SR 3-23/24**

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF 2022-2023 PARLIAMENTARIAN DR. CYNTHIA MACGREGOR**

Faculty Senate Chair Walker moved the Resolution to the floor and read the Resolution.

**The Resolution passed by unanimous consent.**

**SR 4-23/24**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Senator Calihman made a motion to move the Resolution to Preserve the Honors College to the floor. He read the Resolution. Honors College faculty and SGA students in attendance also spoke to the Resolution. Senator Calihman answered questions from the Senate.

Senator Williamson made a motion to call the question.

Motion passed.

**The Resolution passed.**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Melinda Novik

Secretary of the Faculty

**Senate Action 1-23/24**

**Adopted by Senate on May 11, 2023**

Faculty Senate Chair Must Be Notified of Intent to Challenge By: May 22, 2023  
Right of Challenge Expires June 7, 2023

**New Interdisciplinary Program: Graduate Certificate in Data Analysis in Applied Sciences**

**Senate Action 2-23/24**

**Adopted by Senate on May 11, 2023**

Faculty Senate Chair Must Be Notified of Intent to Challenge By: May 22, 2023  
Right of Challenge Expires June 7, 2023

**New Program: Graduate Certificate in Musculoskeletal - Lower Extremity**

**Senate Action 3-23/24**

**Adopted by Senate on May 11, 2023**

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**Delete Program: Leadership**

**Senate Action 4-23/24**

**Adopted by Senate on May 11, 2023**

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Right of Challenge Expires June 7, 2023

**Delete Program: Entrepreneurial Studies**

**Senate Action 5-23/24**

**Adopted by Senate on May 11, 2023**

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**Delete Program: International Business**

**Senate Action 6-23/24**

**Adopted by Senate on May 11, 2023**

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**Delete Program: International Business Studies**

**Senate Action 7-23/24**

**Adopted by Senate on May 11, 2023**

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**Delete Program: Educational Administration/Secondary Principal-EDS**

**Senate Action 8-23/24**

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**Delete Program: Educational Administration/Elementary Principal-EDS**

**Resolution of Gratitude for Dr. Chris Craig  
Presented by the Advisory Committee of Past Senate Chairs**

**Whereas**, Dr. Chris Craig has provided collaborative leadership and dedicated academic support across programs and Colleges at Missouri State University.

**Whereas**, Dr. Craig has consistently supported faculty and helped to address their concerns through his work with the Academic Personnel Review Committee (APRC) and

**Whereas**, Dr. Craig has modeled collegial and productive faculty-administration relationships through open communication and mutual respect, and

**Whereas**, Dr. Craig has notably demonstrated shared governance through his work with the Faculty Handbook Revision Committee (FHRC) and the Committee on Policy Review (CPR); and

**Whereas**, Dr. Craig has directed the efforts to ensure the effective use of Watermark and Workflow in regard to Review, Promotion, and Tenure of faculty;

**Whereas**, Dr. Craig has procured external funding to support programs and initiatives across Colleges at Missouri State University.

**Whereas**, Dr. Craig has provided and encouraged an organizational culture of support, trust, and collegiality within all his endeavors at Missouri State University.

**Therefore, Be it Resolved**, that the faculty of Missouri State University extend their deepest gratitude to Dr. Chris Craig, for his support of shared governance, advancing academic programs, and enriching the lives of faculty, who, in turn, support the success of our students.

**Resolution in Honor of Dr. Mike Hudson, Faculty Senate Chair 2022-2023**

**Whereas**, Dr. Mike Hudson has served as Faculty Senate Chair for 2022-23 with distinction and integrity; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Hudson, as Chair, has represented faculty interests clearly and cogently to the administration during a time of significant, and often confusing, change and restructuring; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Hudson has maintained the highest standards of service to Faculty Senate and professionalism in addressing faculty concerns fairly and reasonably; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Hudson's service and leadership as Chair, on Senate committees, as Senate parliamentarian, and as a faculty member have demonstrated an ongoing commitment to shared governance and the role that faculty should have in helping to guide the university; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Hudson has worked with the utmost integrity and fairness, and with both a clear understanding and a clear regard for the processes and structures of shared governance within Senate, its committees, and the university as a whole; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Hudson has maintained a sympathetic demeanor and, more importantly, a sense of humor in spite of all of the above; therefore,

**Be It Resolved**, that the Faculty Senate of Missouri State University express its sincere appreciation to Dr. Mike Hudson for his service as Chair of Faculty Senate for 2022-23.

**Resolution in Honor of Dr. Melinda Novik, Secretary of the Faculty 2022-2023**

**Whereas**, Dr. Melinda Novik’s service as Secretary of the Faculty for 2022-2023 has been exemplary; and

**Whereas**, her tireless efforts to assist with the mission of the University and shared governance have been invaluable; and

**Whereas**, her attention to detail and curricular knowledge has been instrumental to the Senate, faculty, and all programs across the University; and

**Whereas**, she has provided extraordinary leadership as Secretary of the Faculty during an academic year requiring strong representation with shared governance; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Novik’s honesty and communication skills assisted her with providing clear and compassionate guidance to the faculty;

**Be It Resolved**, that the Faculty Senate of Missouri State University commends Dr. Melinda Novik and expresses its sincere gratitude for her commitment to the faculty of Missouri State University and for the excellence for which she has carried out the duties of Secretary of the Faculty.



**Resolution in Honor of Dr. Cynthia MacGregor, Parliamentarian 2022-2023**

**Whereas**, Dr. Cynthia MacGregor has a history of dedicated service to the faculty at Missouri State University, and

**Whereas**, Dr. MacGregor has been a strong voice for shared governance at Missouri State University in her roles as Parliamentarian, Chair of the Senate, and her numerous works on committees and councils; and

**Whereas**, Dr. MacGregor has accumulated a vast knowledge of the governing policies and procedures at Missouri State University which she uses to efficiently guide others as they step into new leadership roles; and

**Whereas**, Dr. MacGregor has inspired others through her professionalism, dedication to education, and strong spirit; and

**Whereas**, Dr. MacGregor has readily and eloquently expressed her thoughts to ensure faculty voices are heard and has maintained strong ethical standards while serving others at Missouri State University; and

**Whereas**, Dr. MacGregor is a unique soul with a ready smile and her contributions towards shared governance at Missouri State University have been dearly appreciated; therefore,

**Be it Resolved**, that the Faculty Senate of Missouri State University extend their gratitude to Dr. Cynthia MacGregor for her work as Parliamentarian of the Faculty Senate for 2022-2023.

**Faculty Senate Resolution to Preserve the Honors College**

**Whereas**, as part of the university's realignment process, a discussion has arisen about reforming or dissolving the Honors College;

**Whereas**, the Honors College provides an opportunity for exceptional students to combine the advantages of a selective liberal arts college with those of a large state university;

**Whereas**, the university-wide, interdisciplinary, and optionally residential character of the Honors College is crucial for providing the selective liberal arts college experience;

**Whereas**, the Honors College is a valuable tool for recruiting and retaining top students, and has also attracted support from private donors;

**Be it resolved** that the Faculty Senate requests that the Honors College's essential character as a university-wide, interdisciplinary, and optionally residential institution be preserved; and

**Be it resolved** that the Faculty Senate requests that faculty members associated with the Honors College be represented on the committee charged with deciding the College's future.