

**MINUTES FOR MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2024, FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING AT 4:00 P.M. IN UC COUNCIL ROOM**

Present: Almquist, DeKrey, Doerner, Feinstein, Fischer, Fleming, Kyle, Landry, Newman, Schuttler, Senbet

Absent:

Call to Order: 4:04pm

Approval of the Agenda: approved without objection

Approval of the Minutes from September 9, 2024: approved without objection

Announcements

Chair's Report (Kyle) – Kyle plans to send out a Faculty Senate newsletter in early October. She is requesting a report from committee chairs by October 1st. The report should include items such as current work, future items, and recent accomplishments.

Senate Committee Reports

Academic Policies (Newman) – Academic Policies are reviewing a policy passed last year regarding the implementation of a 4-day finals week. The current exam schedule has not been reviewed in 40 years, and regardless of whether the 4-day finals week is adopted, a thorough review of the schedule is necessary. Clarification is needed from administration in order to move forward. Additionally, curriculum recommendation thresholds are being reviewed. The recommendation will go to the Undergraduate Council and Graduate Council for feedback.

Codification (Schuttler) – Codification is working on bylaws from Boards, Councils, and Committees.

Elections (Newman) –The call for nominations has been sent out with the addition of the search committees for the VP of student affairs and Chief Diversity Officer.

Faculty Welfare (DeKrey) – Last week the Faculty Welfare Committee (FWC) discussed how they will handle proposals from the College of Osteopathic Medicine. The committee decided that an ad hoc committee will be best in handling those proposals as they come. The goal for Wednesdays FWC meeting is to approve the members of the ad hoc committee. The next meeting they will approve membership; some concerns about weight of each unit; possible members include Britney Kyle, Greg DeKrey, Todd Allen, Nick Pullen or Mit McGlaughlin, with more members to be determined. Work on faculty evaluation and the role of Annual/Biennial/Triennial evaluations has started.

Salary Equity (Senbet) – AY 23 and AY 24 outcomes reports are ready and will go to the Faculty Senate meeting next week.

Standing Reports

Board of Trustees (Fischer) – No report. Board of Trustees retreat mid-October.

President (Feinstein) – Thank you for those who attended Fireside chat, the feedback on how we can support students and faculty is appreciated. The next fireside chat will be on September 30th at 2pm in Centennial Hall, the topic will be HSI efforts and the third on October 29th, with the topic of organizational updates. Leadership searches for the VP of Student Affairs and Chief Diversity Officer are being conducted. This week is Homecoming week, there will be fireworks and smores on Friday. On Saturday, the VIP reception will be at 9am in the Ballrooms followed

by presentations at Bishop Lehr at 10:30am. About 250 people will be attending the football game at 1pm.

Provost (Fleming) – HLC assurance argument was submitted today; HLC visit in a month; operating parts of the strategic plan – increasing high impact practice and career readiness; restructuring AA; new and emerging credentials, learning about them

Dean's Representative (Doerner) – The session on Tuesday was very informative for Deans.

Unfinished Business

New Business

- Adopted rules of procedure
 - This is a document that will be posted on the FS website
 - The committee reviewed the document and suggested several edits. Send additional edits to Kyle. We will finalize the document at the next FSEC meeting.
- Academic Affairs restructuring
 - The restructuring involves replacing 3 positions (AVP for Undergraduate Studies, Executive Director of Global Engagement, and Executive Director of Extended campus) with 3 different positions (AVP for Global Engagement and Extended Education, Curriculum Coordinator (or another high-level staff position to support the vice provost, depending upon identified needs), & Vice Provost for Enrollment Management and Student Success) that will be budget neutral.
 - Fischer recommends informing faculty on which offices are responsible for addressing specific questions.
 - This item will be brought to the Faculty Senate next Monday for further discussion.

Comments to the Good of the Order

Jazz will be performing on KUVO on Thursday!

Adjournment 5:18pm