

AGENDA FOR UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING

(Meeting #6, 2021-2022)

March 24, 2022

4:00 p.m.

Zoom Online Conference

Approval of the University Senate Minutes of February 24, 2022.

I. Announcements

A. Next Scheduled Meetings

University Senate – Thursday, April 21, 2022, 4:00 p.m., Zoom Online Conference.

Senate Agenda Committee – Monday, April 11, 2022, 2:00 p.m., Zoom Online Conference.

- B. The 2022-2023 Governance Meeting dates calendar has been set. (Enclosure #1)- The executive members are considering mode of governance meetings.

II. Recognition of Deaths

Dr. Donald F. Smith

Dean Emeritus of the College of Applied Sciences and Technology and Professor Emeritus of Industry and Technology
Retired 2002

30 years of service

Sandra Damewood Worthen

First Lady of Ball State University

1984-2000

III. Questions Directed to President Mearns

IV. One Ball State Day Presentation- Amanda Holmquist, Stormie Harless, and Brittney Grim

V. Committee Reports

A. Governance and Elections Committee – Nathan Bogert, Chairperson

B. Faculty Council – Chris Van Hof, Chairperson

C. Professional Personnel Council – Michael Gillilan- Chairperson

D. Student Government Association- Tina Nguyen/Monet Lindstrand

VI. Report by Chairperson of Senate – Keshia Coker– GANTT chart (Enclosure #2 - Issues in the Senate System)

VII. Question and Answer Period

VIII. Unfinished Business

IX. New Business

X. Other Items

XI. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE 2021-22 UNIVERSITY SENATE
February 24, 2022

Members Present: 32

Members Absent: 6

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the University Senate, Kesha Coker, at 4:00 p.m.

Substitutions were asked to email Bethany Allen for record keeping purposes.

Members Present: R. Aceska, C. Biddle, V. Birk, C. Bohanon, A. Bowen, M. Carter, C. Cash, K. Chipman, K. Coker, O. Frausto, S. Fulton, L. Gerstein, M. Gillilan, R. Hassenzahl, C. Haynes, S. Lee, M. Lindstrand, J. Place, N. Prater, V. Rapatz, S. Rivera-Mills, N. Seely, C. Shue, S. Smith, J. Sponseller, L. Taylor, M. Tschopp, J. Tye, C. Van Hof, D. Wheeler

Substitutes: V. Fife-Demski for A. Stefanski, T. Pollard for P. Turner

Members Absent: N. Bogert, C. Braden, J. Emert, K. Hennessee, T. Nguyen, G. Mearns

Guests: J. Buckrop, A. McLachlan, J. Erickson, J. Coggeshall, S. Eglin, K. McBride, K. McCauliff, A. Hildner

A motion was made (M. Gillilan) and seconded (C. Haynes) to approve the minutes of January 20, 2022.

No nays noted. No abstentions noted.

Motion carried.

2. Announcements

A. Next Scheduled Meetings

University Senate – Thursday, March 24, 2022, 4:00 p.m., Zoom

Senate Agenda Committee – Monday, March 14, 2022, 2:00 p.m., Zoom

- B. The Professional Personnel Council elected a new Chair to serve for the remainder of the 2021-2022 governance year- Michael Gillilan. Mike was thanked for his service as Chair.

- C. On January 27, 2022 the Faculty Council voted on and approved a proposal from the Non-Tenure-Line Faculty Committee regarding the deletion of 16.1.3.2.4. in the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook. 16.1.3.2.4 The document must be approved by the University Faculty Salary and Benefits committee.- This statement is no longer applicable.

- D. On January 27, 2022 the Faculty Council voted on and approved a proposal from the Graduate Education committee regarding Section 51- Graduate Faculty Policy- of the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook. The following section, 51.5.6. should be edited as shown below:

51.5.6. Terminal degree equivalence will be determined through the process outlined in section 19 of the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook, "Teaching Faculty Qualifications Policy and Procedures." The Dean of the Graduate School may approve the equivalence of the terminal degree for candidates with an exceptionally meritorious record of recognized scholarship, creative endeavor, or achievement in practice commensurate to the scholarly expectations of the terminal degree in the field. In such cases, the Dean of the Graduate School shall consider the relevance of the highest earned degree, professional licensure and certifications, and direct and substantial work experience related to the field that demonstrates competency and the high levels of achievement

- E. American Association of University Professors- Resolution on Teaching Race and Gender Justice- (Enclosure #1)- Chris Van Hof, Emily Rutter, and Jennifer Erickson
The Faculty Council conducted and completed an electronic vote approving a revised resolution with a final vote of thirty-two (32) in favor, two (2) opposed, and two (2) abstentions.

3. Recognition of Deaths – There are no new notifications.

4. Questions Directed to President Mearns

President Mearns was not available. Provost Susana Rivera-Mills was present to answer questions. The provost explained that mask protocols will be discussed by the administration and any changes will be shared with the university.

- What criteria are examined to determine mask protocol changes? Multiple sources are considered for protocol development/changes. The sources include our own data, the CDC, medical experts, Delaware County mandates and data, Indiana state mandates and peer institutions. Spring break will also be considered.

5. Committee Reports

- A. Governance and Elections Committee – Nathan Bogert- S. Smith reported that there has been no new business. The committee electronically approved the Governance and Election Committee minutes of October 28, 2021. The next meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2022.
- B. Faculty Council – Chris Van Hof- An ad hoc committee under Academic Freedom and Ethics Committee has been formed to research the creation of an ombudsperson. Jennifer Erickson from the American Association of University Professors provided a quick overview of the resolution previously mentioned under announcements. This final action of this resolution was to be announced to University Senate today. The resolution affirms the values of inclusive excellence. Chris Van Hof thanked everyone from Faculty Council and the American Association of University Professors for working on this resolution.
- C. Professional Personnel Council – Michael Gillilan- Mike commended the American Association of University Professors and Faculty Council for their work on the resolution. The council met on February 3, 2022. Questions and concerns about crosswalk safety was referred to the Public Safety Committee. Additional questions regarding professional personnel salary and benefits were referred to the Professional Personnel Salary and Benefits Committee with Kate Stoss. The next council meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2022.
- D. Student Government Association – Tina Nguyen- Chiara Biddle and Monet Lindstrand are present. Chiara reported that the election season was completed on Tuesday February 22, 2022. Tina Nguyen will return as President and Monet Lindstrand is the President Pro-Tempore for the Student Government Association. They had a successful event with dining this past week and hope to make it a permanent event. Legislation coming forward include charging for plastic bags in dining halls to promote green practice and gender-neutral bathrooms in all Ball State buildings. They held a successful retreat yesterday February 23, 2022. They will continue to work on rebranding the Student Government Association to promote student participation. Michael Gillilan met with the SGA Senate regarding changes to the Student Code and Conduct which was voted on and approved. Recently a student wage item was discussed causing some confusion leading to students emailing faculty asking about student wages. Any faculty that received inquiries from students should direct them to Monet Lindstrand via email; mrlindstrand@bsu.edu.

6. Report by Chairperson of Senate – Kesha Coker – Gantt chart (Enclosure #1) - Issues in the Senate System

Kesha Coker reviewed each item briefly, highlighting the current location and ongoing nature of each. These items included:

- A. Academic Freedom and Ethics Committee- Amendments to the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook- This item will be brought back to Faculty Council for review soon.
- B. American Association of University Professors- Resolution- This has been announced today.
- C. Undergraduate Education Committee- BS/BA Program Distinctions- There is no new information to report.
- D. Undergraduate Education Committee- Credit for Prior Learning- There is no new information to report
- E. Academic Freedom and Ethics Committee- Ombudsperson Proposal- Anyone interested in serving on the Ad hoc should make the Senate office aware or contact Bruce Frankel.
- F. Non-Tenure-Line Committee- Deletion of sentence 16.1.3.2.4. in Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook.- This item was approved by Faculty Council on January 27, 2022. It has been announced today.
- G. Graduate Education Committee- Graduate Faculty Policy 51.5.6. Edit for Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook- This item was approved by Faculty Council on January 27, 2022. It has been announced today.
- H. Graduate Student Government Association inquiry- This inquiry has been directed to the Student Government Association for consideration. This may be brought back to the Senate Agenda Committee.
- I. Commercial Activity- Non-Commercial Activity Policies- These items will be reviewed by Faculty Council on March 17, 2022, and the Professional Personnel Council on March 3, 2022.

7. Question and Answer Period:

There are no additional questions currently.

8. Unfinished Business: There is no unfinished business currently.
9. New Business: There is no new business currently.
10. Other Items: There are no other items currently.
11. Adjournment:
A motion was made (C. Haynes) and seconded (C. Cash) to adjourn at 4:29 p.m.
No nays noted. No abstentions noted.
Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Natalee Seely, Secretary

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Members Present: S. Abebe, C. Baas, B. Dale, C. Dowling, J. Erickson, B. Frankel, K. Gatzlaff, K. Heuett, J. Huff, F. Jin, R. Kraus, A. Latz, M. Lee, L. Li, M. Lindstrand, D. Little, C. Luchs, C. Malone, A. Marri, J. Mayer, K. Mesarosh, T. Nguyen, P. Schaal, R. Smith, M. Stuve, M. Subir, K. Trainor, K. Turcotte, C. Van Hof, S. Vitale, B. Wagner, J. Walls, J. Warner, A. Yen, M. Zhang

Substitutes: J. Court for T. Horan, S. Stump for J. Lorch

Members Absent: C. Bohanon, M. Gillilan, K. Hennessee, T. Ho, F. Kitchens, A. Kuban, M. Lorsung, M. Marvel, P. Nagelkirk, D. Roof, P. Spengler, M. Wilson

Guests: K. Coker, R. Jones, K. McBride

The Chairperson of the 2021-22 Faculty Council, Chris Van Hof called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll call was taken by logging into the Zoom meeting. The meeting will be digitally recorded through Zoom.

A motion was made (C. Van Hof) and seconded (J. Erickson) to approve the minutes of January 27, 2022. No nays noted. No abstentions noted.

The motion carried.

1. Announcements

A. Next scheduled meetings

- Items for next agenda to be received by Senate Office no later than Friday, March 4, 2022, for electronic review by Faculty Council Chair.
- Faculty Council – March 17, 2022, 4:00 p.m., Zoom Online Conference

B. Items currently in committees- GANTT Chart (Enclosure #1)

1. Undergraduate Education Committee- BA/BS Program Distinctions- This item remains with the committee. No updated information.
2. Undergraduate Education Committee- Credit for Prior Learning- This item remains with the committee. No updated information.
3. Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee- Amendments to the handbook will be coming forward soon.
4. Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee- Ombudsperson Proposal- An Ad hoc committee is being formed to address further research. Please reach out to Bruce Frankel if interested in serving.
5. American Association of University Professors- Resolution- An update will be provided. This will be announced at University Senate on February 24, 2022.
6. Non-Tenure-Line (NTL) - Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook revision for 16.1.3.2.4- Faculty Council approved this item It will be announced at University Senate on February 27, 2022.
7. Graduate Education Committee- Graduate Faculty Policy Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook revision for 51.5.6.- Faculty Council approved this item. It will be announced at University Senate on February 27, 2022.

2. Committee Reports:- *Some committees may not have a report.*

- A. Academic Freedom and Ethics Committee- Bruce Frankel- In addition to Bruce Frankel participating on the Ombudsperson ad hoc committee, Adam Kriska and Chris Van Hof will serve as well. Work will be

completed during the fall of 2021. Bylaws for the Academic Freedom and Ethics Committee that discuss procedures and jurisdictional matters are being reviewed and will be brought forward soon.

B. Creative Arts Committee- Amanda Latz- Amanda reports committee work continues to go well.

C. Graduate Education Committee- Amanda Latz- Amanda reports committee work continues to go well.

No other committees provided report.

3. Unfinished Business

A. American Association of University Professors (AAUP)- Resolution on Defending Academic Freedom to Teach and Research Race and Gender Justice (Enclosure #2)- Update provided.

Chris Van Hof thanked everyone for their work on this item. He will be presenting it to University Senate on February 24, 2022. Jennifer Erickson and Vanessa Rapatz will be available to answer any questions.

4. New Business- There is no new business currently.

5. Question and Answer Period. Dean Anand Marri is present to take questions.

- Has there been any discussion about reorganization and/or combining departments within the College of Sciences and Humanities? Dean Marri is not aware of any information on this, he will be happy to research and follow up with Chris Van Hof.
- The Dean of the Colleges of Sciences and Humanities may be meeting with the departments, but no additional information is known.

6. Other items- There are no other items currently.

7. Adjournment

A motion was made (C. Van Hof) and seconded (K. Trainor) to adjourn at 4:19 p.m.

The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Kraus, Secretary

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Members Present: M. Baker, A. Brandon, M. Brown, C. Cash, W. Cooper, C. Dowling, S. Fulton, D. Garreth, M. Gillilan, J. Glesing, R. Grigoletti, R. Hassenzahl, S. Jenkins, K. Knable, J. Mayer, N. Prater, S. Sheptoski, M. Sorrell, K. Trainor, M. Turner, R. Wilson, R. Wirt
Substitutes: K. Robbins for C. Hitchens, R. Cohn for M. Lorsung
Ex Officio (non-voting) Members Present: T. Nguyen, M. Shaw, C. Van Hof
Members/Ex Officio Members Absent: N/A

The Chairperson of the 2021-22 Council, Michael Gillilan, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
Roll call was taken by joining the Zoom meeting. Quorum was met.
Substitutes were noted.

Approval of the minutes from February 3, 2022, was entertained.
A motion was made (M. Turner) and seconded (C. Cash) to approve the minutes.
No nays noted. No abstentions noted.
The motion carried.

1. Announcements
 - A. Next meeting: Professional Personnel Council: April 7, 2022, 4:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting
The date was reviewed.
2. Committee Reports: (Professional Personnel Council reps listed)- some committees may not have a report.
 - A. Admissions and Credits Committee- Charles Haynes- No report provided.
 - B. Global Engagement Committee- No report provided
 - C. Master Planning and Facilities Committee- Will Cooper- The committee has not needed to meet. No new information to report.
 - D. Professional Personnel Technology Committee- Cindy Cash- The committee has not needed to meet. No new information to report.
 - E. Professional Personnel Salary and Benefits Committee- Mike Gillilan has reached out to Kate Stoss (Human Resources) to convene a meeting to address the benefits questions.
 - F. Research Committee- Kelly Knable- The committee has not needed to meet. No new information to report.
3. Unfinished Business- There is no unfinished business currently.
4. New Business-
 - A. Office of Student Affairs- New updated policies including Commercial Activity on University Property and Non-Commercial Expressive Activity and Assembly on University Property (both policies attached). As a result of the two policies noted, there are updates/revisions needed in the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook to be reviewed by faculty, professional personnel, and students.

Policy updates/revisions to the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook: (Enclosure #1)- Mike Gillilan and Ro-Anne Royer Engle

- Selection and Presentation of Lecturers or Speakers by Student Organizations- Section 113
- Policy Statement on Selection of Campus Speakers- Section 114

Mike Gillilan provided background information and noted that the Student Government Association has already reviewed and approved revisions. Faculty Council will be reviewing the revisions on March 17, 2022. Ro-Anne Royer Engle was present. Ro-Anne provided more background information about the initial need and formation of an Ad hoc committee to examine the universities policies to ensure they reflect our obligations, values and best practices unifying the framework statement and our policy.

Discussion ensued and included the following questions or concerns:

- It was clarified that the only information being reviewed and voted on today are the revisions to section 113 and 114 listed in the enclosure.
- Previously the policies were only referenced in the Student Code of Conduct.
- The new policies do comply with the current legislation regarding freedom of speech.

A motion was made (N. Prater) and seconded (M. Turner) to approve the revisions in Section 113 and 114 of the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook.

No nays noted. One abstention noted.

The motion carried.

5. Items in Committees- GANNT Chart (Enclosure #2)

- A. Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee- Amendments to the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook. This item was tabled by FC for further review later.
- B. Crosswalk Safety- This item has been sent to the Public Safety Committee for consideration.
- C. Payroll/Benefit Questions- This item has been sent to the Professional Personnel Salary & Benefits Committee.
- D. Undergraduate Education Committee- BA/BS Program Distinctions- This item remains with the committee. No updated information.
- E. Undergraduate Education Committee- Credit for Prior Learning- this item remains with the committee. No updated information.
- F. Academic Freedom & Ethics Committee- Ombudsperson Proposal- An Ad hoc committee is being formed to address further research. Please reach out to Bruce Frankel if interested in serving.
- G. Graduate Student Government Association Inquiry- This inquiry was directed to the Student Government Association.
- H. Commercial Activity- Non-Commercial Activity Policies- revisions to Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook- This item has been reviewed and approved today. It will be reviewed at Faculty Council on March 17, 2022.

6. Question and Answer Period

- A. Two-way Communication- Mike Gillilan encouraged everyone to take the information that is discussed and shared at these meetings. Sharing the information discussed may be very helpful to others within the divisions that the members represent.

7. Other items- There are no other items currently.

8. Adjournment

A motion was made (C. Cash) and seconded (R. Wilson) to adjourn Professional Personnel Council at 4:28 p.m.

The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Wilson, Secretary

University Governance Schedule of Meetings 2022-2023

August 2022

- 15 *Senate Agenda Committee*
- 25 Governance & Elections
- 25 University Senate

September 2022

- 1 Faculty Council
- 8 Professional Personnel Council
- 19 *Senate Agenda Committee*
- 29 Governance & Elections
- 29 University Senate

October 2022

- 6 Faculty Council
- 13 Professional Personnel Council
- 17 *Senate Agenda Committee*
- 27 Governance & Elections
- 27 University Senate

November 2022

- 3 Faculty Council
- 10 Professional Personnel Council
- 14 *Senate Agenda Committee*

December 2022

- 1 University Senate

January 2023

- 9 *Senate Agenda Committee*
- 19 Governance & Elections
- 19 University Senate
- 26 Faculty Council

February 2023

- 2 Professional Personnel Council
- 9 Governance & Elections
- 13 *Senate Agenda Committee*
- 16 Faculty Council
- 23 University Senate

March 2023

- 2 Professional Personnel Council
- 13 *Senate Agenda Committee*
- 16 Governance & Elections**
- 16 Faculty Council
- 23 University Senate

April 2023

- 6 Professional Personnel Council
- 10 *Senate Agenda Committee*
- 13 Governance & Elections**
- 13 Faculty Council
- 20 University Senate

UNTIL MEETINGS MOVE BACK TO IN-PERSON, THEY ARE ALL HELD VIA ZOOM.

University Senate, Faculty Council, and Professional Personnel Council meetings will take place @ 4:00 PM in LB 125. (Zoom)

Senate Agenda Committee meetings will take place @ 2:00 PM in LB 104 (Zoom)

Governance and Elections Committee meetings will take place @ 8:10 AM in BL 301 (Zoom)

**Optional meeting, depending upon the status of the Senate Executive slate.

Issues in the Senate System, 2021-2022 (03.18.22)

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