

MINUTES

The Faculty Senate met on Thursday, February 29, 2024, in French 130D and via Zoom. Fifty-nine (59) senators were present with twenty-four(24) absent, five (5) vacancies and sixteen (16) non-voting members present. The meeting was called to order by the Senate Chair, Eric Shelden at 4:00 pm.

Guest Presentation: University Budget & Finance Review with Leslie Brunelli, Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration ([PDF](#))

- I. Call to Order at 4:11pm
- II. Approval of minutes from the February 15, 2024 faculty senate meeting ([PDF](#)).
- III. Announcements
 - A. Information Items
 1. The faculty senate executive officers met with the Office of the Provost on Tuesday, February 20th.
 2. The Faculty Senate Chair, Eric Shelden will present to the Board of Regents on Friday, March 8th.
- IV. Reports
 - A. Remarks by Faculty Senate Chair Eric Shelden
 1. Remarks by Faculty Senate Chair, Eric Shelden Faculty Senate Concerns and Activities Table ([PDF](#)).
 2. The [Faculty Senate Executive Election Candidate Statements](#) are posted on the faculty senate webpage.
 3. Ballots for the Faculty Senate Chair-Elect Executive Election were released on February 26th and are due at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, March 19th.
- V. Additions or changes to the agenda

VI. Agenda Items

A. Action Items

1. (Item #2024.02.15_389_AAC) Proposal to Revise Rule 68, Withdrawal from a Course (Exhibit [389A](#)).
 1. **Approved**; 56 approved, 0 rejected
2. (Item #2024.02.15_392_AAC) Undergraduate and Professional Major Change Bulletin No. 7 requirements (Exhibit [392A](#)).
 1. **Approved**; 58 approved, 0 rejected

B. Discussion Items

1. (Item #2024.02.29_393_GSC) Recommended approval to establish a Master of Veterinary Anatomic Pathology (MVAP) Degree program (Exhibit [393A](#) [393B](#) [393C](#) [393D](#) [393E](#) [393F](#)).
 1. No discussion
2. (Item #2024.02.29_394_Steering) Recommendation to extend the Ad Hoc Salary Step Committee term to May 30th, 2024 (Exhibit [394A](#)).
 1. No discussion
3. (Item #2024.02.29_395_Steering) Recommendation to permanently establish the course review process as piloted during 2023 – 2024 (exhibit [395A](#)).
 1. No discussion

VII. Constituent Concerns

- A. Recruitment and retention recommendations from the Murrow College of Communication; 1. WSU tuition waiver program (tuition remission) and access to childcare on campus for new faculty. -T. Simmons
- B. Concern for R1 Standing and the trajectory of WSU's R1 research mission. -Jin Liu



- C. Inquiry on the awareness by the administration for the unit level budget “crisis” and how the current budget challenges will affect undergraduate enrollment in August. -C. Moore
- D. Request to discuss the “Time for Change at WSU” letter. -D. Gursoy
- E. 260 faculty signed a letter in 2022 regarding athletics that was posted on the constituent concerns page and coordinated through the faculty senate and from there elevated to the board of regents. A precedent has been set for faculty to address concerns through the faculty senate. - V. Walden

VIII. Meeting Adjourned 4:39 pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Hudelson".

Matt Hudelson, Executive Secretary