



FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2024

Faculty Senate Chair:
Rick Bullis

Executive Committee member,
Academic Standards and Assessment
Chair
Jon Lau

Faculty Senate Chair-elect:
Jinger Doe

Executive Committee member, Curriculum
Review Chair
Katie Kolbet

Past Chair
Amy Cavanaugh

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Edwin Lyngar

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Tara Connolly
Ben Davis
Katie Paul

Senators for Biology:
Laura Briggs
Jon Lau

Recognition & Activities Committee Chair
Tara Connolly

Senators for Allied Health:
Julie McMahon
Rori Wilkis

Senators for English:
Martha Johnson-Olin
Joe Sanpietro

WebCollege Faculty Advisory
Committee Chair
Frank Amankonah

Senators for Computer Technology
Steve Bale

The Faculty Senate Executive Board met on February 2, 2024. Items discussed were 360 Evaluations, chair and senate seat updates, the motion tracker is posted on the Faculty Senate webpage, the Academic Calendar, standing committee updates were given, and the addition of the Administrative Faculty Chair to the Executive Board.

Questions received concerned the 360 reviews and survey tools used.

Dr. Hilgersom's survey for her direct reports are designed for non-instructional executive managers who are not covered by the NFA Contract.

Chair-Elect Report – Jinger Doe

The Faculty Senate Representation Committee continue to meet and collect feedback.

Past Chair's Report – Amy Cavanaugh

Past Chair Amy Cavanaugh had a correction of an omission from her December report. All four sabbatical applicants were awarded: Angela Adlish, Ana Douglass, Rebecca McCleary, and Megan Lahti.

Administrative Report – Karin Hilgersom, TMCC President

Dr. Hilgersom reported enrollment numbers after the February 2, 2024 purge: headcount is up 7.8% and FTE is up 9.7%.

During the January 10 NSHE Budget meeting A new building request was announced, a proposed shared facility, with DRI and Nevada State University. The building would focus in robotics, engineering, computer science, computer coding, and undergrad research. The idea would be called the Dandini Innovation Commons. This will be presented to the Board of Regents at a later date.

Dr. Hilgersom attended American Community College Trustee Association meeting in DC and met with Senator Cortez-Masto and Representative Amodei. The most important talking point was Support Workforce Pell Grants for Students in Short-Term Programs.

Dr. Hilgersom offered kudos to all who are working on retention in various committees and face-to-face encouragement

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