

## AP Faculty Senate Minutes

4/17/2024

10:00-12:00 pm

Zoom Meeting

**Present:** Janice Austin (presiding), Blair Allen, Sarah Armstrong, Nikesha Arthur, Leanna Blevins, Jonathan Bradley, Tara Brent, Brock Burroughs, Nicole Connors, Jessica Crawford, Juliet Dadras, Andrew Dolbin-MacNab, Cathy Duerbeck, Jennifer Gallagher, Chris Helms, Jennifer Jones, Marlena Lester, Ed Olson, Chad Proudfoot, Teri Pecora, Erin Poff, Aaron Prussin, Keri Swaby, Stephanie Trout, Alix Guynn, Brandy Morse, Enrique Noyola, Nicholas Woods

**Absent with Notice:** none

**Absent:** Arianna DiFillippo, Andrew Dubs, Stephen Kleiber, Gwyneth Martin, Lauren Pollard

**Guests:** Nicole Akers, John Curtis, Dee Dee Somvervell, Bret Kremer, Julie Carlson, Holli Gardner-Drewry, Monique Logan

Janice Austin called the meeting to order at 10:03 am. A quorum was present. (note: a quorum is 50% plus 1 of current membership)

### 1. Adoption of the current agenda

- Janice requests an addition to today's agenda of Greg Beacher, presenter
- Motion to amend and adopt agenda by Chad Proudfoot, seconded by Marlena Lester. Motion carried.

### 2. Announcement of electronic posting and voting of minutes of 3/20/2024

- Minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

### 3. Unfinished Business

*[Beyond Boundaries Scholarship](#) update-Holli Gardner*

- <https://crowdfund.vt.edu/project/39565/wall>
- Please contribute if able and share widely
- We have until June to meet our goal

*[Job Architecture](#) update-Sandee Cheynet and Sara Lucy*

- [Job Architecture 101 Website](#)
- No update for today, but an update in our May meeting

### 4. New Business

*University Council Resolution 2023-24B vote on ratification*

- No discussion
- Scott Weimer moves to vote for University Council Resolution 2023-24B; Terri Pecora seconds. Motion carried: 25 votes (24 approved; 1 abstention)

*CAPFA Updates-Stephanie Trout*

- No update

*Treasurer's Report-Jennifer Jones*

- AP Faculty Senate has \$0 in funds

**5. Committee Reports and/or Minutes**

*Senate Committee Reports*

- Communications Committee-Enrique Noyola
  - We will be highlighting our Talk and Tour in our next newsletter
  - We may ask for assistance with labelling pictures that are used
- Elections & Nominations-Scott Weimer, Leanna Blevins
  - Nominations are open for 2024-2025 AP faculty officers
  - Please submit any nominations here: <https://virginiatech.questionpro.com/t/AUQCyZ2Kyn>
- Policies and Issues-Nicole Connors
  - Next meeting will be in May
- Professional Development-Jennifer Jones
  - We had a fabulous time at our April 4<sup>th</sup> tour and talk of Fralin Biomedical and Research Institute
  - Thank you to Leanna and all who were involved in the planning or implementation
  - Please be on the lookout for more information about a fall 2024 event

*Other Updates from Committees and Commissions*

- Commission for Undergraduate Studies and Policies-Keri Swaby
  - No report
- Employee Benefits Committee
  - Open Enrollment is coming in May for Employee benefits
  - You will receive a booklet in the mail if you have not already
- Commission of Research-Leanna Blevins
  - No report
- Commencement-Marlena Lester
  - No report
- Campus Accessibility Working Group-Holli Gardner Drewry
  - There will be a wrap up story in VT News for Accessibility Week to view and access resources
- Diversity Committee-Juliet Dadras
  - [Campus Diversity opportunities](#)
- Early Childhood Education Committee-Brandy Morse
  - No report

- Commission of Outreach and International Affairs-Susan Short
  - No report
- Transportation and Parking Services-Aaron Prussin
  - No report

## **6. Presentation(s)**

- Presentation by Greg Beacher about WickedCon
  - May 2, 2024; zoom and in person events options
  - [More information](#)

## **7. Other Items**

No other items of discussion

## **8. Announcements**

- Employee appreciation and Wellness fair is Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>
- President Sands will be joining our May meeting
- Submit stories to add to the A/P faculty newsletter
- Denim Day is Wednesday, April 24
- Board of Visitors met last week and Janice was happy to share the fabulous things we are doing
- Friday, April 26: [Dennis Dean Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship Conference](#)

## **9. Adjournment**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 am