

# AP Faculty Senate

**February 19, 2025 – 10 a.m. to Noon**  
**Zoom**

**Members Present:** Janice Austin, Ruth Wallace, Jennifer Jones, Keri Swaby, Rob Emmett, Aaron Prussin, Enrique Noyola, Demetria Somervell, Marlena Lester, Scott Weimer, Cathy Duerbeck, Jenni Gallagher, Andrew Dolbin-MacNab, Holli Gardner Drewry, Jessica Crawford, Terri Pecora, April Myers, Brent Kremer, Rabeya Rahman, M. L. Logan, Nick Woods, Juliet Dadras, Jeremy Sippel, Julie McClafferty, Nicole Akers, Christopher Helms, Leanna Blevins, Sarah Armstrong, Ed Olsen, Chris Akers, Mary Stewart, Lauren Pollard

Janice Austin called the meeting to order at 10:02.

## Adoption of Agenda

Marlena Lester moved to adopt agenda, it was seconded by Jennifer Jones, and the motion was approved.

## Unfinished Business

- 2024-2025 philanthropic project update – Holli Drewry. Giving Day starts today at noon and goes through tomorrow at noon. Holli will share our Giving Day link to the Senate today; our goal is to raise funds for The Market.
- AP Faculty emeritus/a nomination review guidelines ([nomination review guidelines](#)). The guidelines were reviewed during the last Senate meeting; feedback was received from Amy Sebring, Brennan Sheppard, and Rachel Gabriele as well. No additional discussion was needed. Marlena Lester made a motion to approve these guidelines, Leanna Blevins seconded, and the motion was approved.
- Second reading: CAPFA 2024-25A Resolution to Revise Chapter 7 of the Faculty Handbook ([CAPFA 2024-25A Resolution to Revise Chapter 7 of the Faculty Handbook](#)). Marlena Lester noted no additional changes to the language in the resolution have been made since our last reading. Additional information regarding the Title IX mediation process was added by the Office of Equity and Accessibility (Harrison Blythe) prior to the CAPFA vote on the resolution. Leanna Blevins made a motion to approve CAPFA 2024-25A resolution, Keri Swaby seconded, and the motion was approved.

## New Business

- CAPFA Updates – Marlena Lester. CAPFA 2024-25A discussions are complete. Juliet Dadras will be the A/P faculty representative on the Employee Benefits Committee
- Treasurer's Report – Enrique Noyola. Enrique reported we still have funds we can use. Please contact officers if you have ideas for activities to support.
- Senate Committee Reports
  - Communications – Julie Carlson. No report.
  - Elections and Nominations – Scott Weimer. A call for nominations for the election cycle is coming out. Please respond by March 3.
  - Policies and Issues – Nikki Connors. No report. Reminder there are resolution responses needed.
  - Professional Development – Sarah Armstrong. Sarah shared the spring 2025 Tour and Talk will be April 15<sup>th</sup> 2:30pm-4pm to tour the Athletics Facilities.
- Updates from other University Committees and Commissions
  - Leanna Blevins reported the Budget and Planning Committee for the university met yesterday. The committee will now also serve an advisory role for facility requests.
  - Jessica Crawford (alternate for Leanna Blevins) reported on the recent Commission on Research meeting. There is great concern regarding the possible loss of research funding. The Office of Research has a website where they provide up to date information as it is know regarding changing federal regulations.
  - Enrique Noyola reported on the Global Distinction subcommittee meeting in January. Many undergraduate students do not understand what Global Distinction is. Focus groups are planned as this subcommittee continues to work.
- No Additional topics or business were raised.

## Announcements

Kennedy, A. M. (2024). [\*The Staff Experience in Higher Education: A Moderated Mediation Study of Burnout, Perceived Flexibility, Perceived Organizational Support, and Turnover Intentions Using Structural Equation Modeling\*](#) (Order No. 31633116). Available from ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global; Publicly Available Content Database

## Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:29am.

**Next Meeting:** March 19, 2025