| Meeting Title: | Faculty Senate |
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| Meeting Owner: | Evelyn Porter, *Faculty Senate President* |
| Meeting Objectives: | Collect faculty opinions and official positions to be communicated to university administration |
| Date: | Tuesday, January 13th, 2026 |
| Time: | 2:30-4:30 PM |
| Location: | CB 104 & Teams |

| Time | Item(s) | Owner(s) |
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| 2:30 | **Welcome**<br>• Approval of Minutes | • Evelyn Porter, *Faculty Senate President* |
| 2:35 | **Academic Affairs** | • Wayne Vaught, *Provost* |
| 2:50<br><br>3:10 | **Presentations**<br>• DX Security Updates *(Christina Baum, Nathan Gerber & Brian Hall)*<br>• Faculty Research regarding 9/10/25 & IRBs *(Kat Brown & Dan Fairbanks)* | • Evelyn Porter, *Faculty Senate President* |
| 3:30 | **Policy**<br>Introduction<br>• Policy 633: Faculty Performance Evaluation & Feedback – Limited Scope *(Kat Brown)* | • Jennifer Shubert, *Faculty Senate Policy Liaison*<br>• Policy Stewards |
| 3:40<br><br>3:50<br><br>4:00 | **Non-Policy Items**<br>• Curriculum Guidelines for 5000-level Courses *(Steven Sylvester & Jordan Allen)*<br>• Senate President & Vice President Elections<br>• Faculty Travel Grant Funds | • Evelyn Porter, *Faculty Senate President* |
| 4:25 | **Good of the Order** | • All |
| 4:30 | **Adjourn** | |

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, January 27th, CB 104 & Teams @ 2:30-4:30 PM

**Announcements**

**Faculty Senate President & Vice President Voting:** Voting will be open Monday, January 19th – Friday, January 30th. Please pass the word along to your faculty.
https://www.uvu.edu/facsenate/election/index.html

**Faculty Senate Email:** Faculty Senate has a generic Faculty Senate email address: facultysenate@uvu.edu.

**Provost Questions:** If you would like to submit questions for the Provost to address at the next Senate meeting, please email facultysenate@uvu.edu.

**Faculty Convocation Resource Fair:** Any faculty who have an organization/group they'd like to have represented during the Resource Fair next Fall, please let Cindy Wilkinson know.

**OTL: Our Web Pages Have Moved!**

- You can now find the majority of our pages in myUVU Workplace. Things like our Semester Preparation for Faculty, Certificates & Events, Accessible Course Content, and more now have a new home there! To navigate to the new pages, start on the myUVU home page, select departments in the top navigation bar, and find the OTL link under the Academic Affairs section.

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- **OTL Spring Certifications, Lunch & Learns** and other workshops are open for registration on the OTL Certifications & Events page

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◦ Effective Online Feedback
◦ Advanced Topics in Online Teaching

Essential Elements of Regular and Substantive Interaction (RSI)

**Member Benefits through AdvanceHE** for those who have received their HEA Fellowship
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**Spring Library Hours**

The Fulton Library has new extended hours to help serve our patrons this spring semester. The hours are as follows:

- Monday–Thursday: 7:00–12:00 am
- Friday: 7:00 am–9:00 pm
- Saturday: 10:00 am–6:00 pm
- Sunday: 1:00–8:00 pm

These extended hours give students extra time to study, collaborate, and access research materials as they prepare for exams and projects. Please remind your students that the library offers quiet study spaces, group study rooms, computer labs, and personalized research help from librarians. Whether they need a peaceful spot to focus or help with a final paper, the Fulton Library is here to support their success.

For an overview of hours and holiday closures, visit the Fulton Library's website.