

Faculty Senate Agenda

September 28, 2021, MS Teams, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order; Silent Roll Call (0 min.)
2. **Approval of Previous Minutes** ([available on Faculty Senate website](#))
 - a. Are there any corrections, additions, modifications to the previous minutes?
[section end time 3:02]
3. **Provost Wayne Vaught**
 - a. Updates
 - i. Vaccine update
 - ii. Open questions
 - b. No time given; Please review these sites regarding Covid information.
 - i. [UVU's Covid info site](#)
 - ii. [Covid Vaccine FAQ](#)
 - iii. Reminder, [here are protocols for engagement in political activity](#).
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4. **Faculty Senate President**
 - a. New senate tutorial update
[section end time 3:22]
5. **Ethan Morse update on the vaccine**
[section end time 3:27]
6. **Consent Agenda items**
 - a. Policy 658- Graduate Programs, Stage 3 but would like to add the following:
 - i. When the Faculty Senate was reviewing the proposed policy in Stage 2, the following language was included in the policy: "5.4.1 The Faculty Senate service and elections committee shall conduct the nomination process and the election for graduate program committee members." The Faculty Senate did not express any issues with this provision.
 - ii. For Stage 3, we also want the Faculty Senate service and elections committee to conduct the nomination process and election for graduate program directors. We want to add the following sections:
 1. 5.8.1 The Faculty Senate service and elections committee shall conduct the nomination process and election for graduate program directors.
 2. 5.8.1.1 The Faculty Senate service and elections committee shall notify the college/school dean and the Director of Graduate Studies when the nomination process will begin for graduate program director and of the results of the graduate program director election.

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7. Policy Related Debate Calendar ([policy debate calendar overview](#))

a. Motion and Vote ([overview](#))

i. [146 from Office of Sponsored Programs](#) -- Curtis Pendleton

1. [Comments on this policy here.](#)

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ii. 633 - Annual Faculty Review –proposed Faculty Performance Evaluation and Feedback (complete rewrite). ***With the rewrite of Policy 633 would be the deletion of Policy 638 - Post Tenure Review as it will be covered under Policy 633***

1. The due date is Oct 1st and we haven't been able to get the timeline extended so we have to wrap up debate and vote
2. [Current draft of the policy.](#)
3. [Comments on this policy here.](#)

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b. Debate

- i. None

c. Read and comment ([overview](#)) - introduction

i. [Policy 133](#): Compliance with Government Records Access and Management Act

1. Steward: Jacob Atkin
2. Comment document [here](#) (Comments due on Oct 10th).

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d. Policies moving to stages 3 or 4 –

No time allocated, update only. Can provide public comments but past senate comments.

e. Policy proposals, Policies Entering Stage 1, or other Policy Related

i. Temporary Emergency Revision of 632

1. President Tuminez has asked us to complete a Temporary Emergency Revision of Policy 632: Assignment and Advancement in Academic Rank. While we are planning a major re-write of this policy, the President is anxious to have minimum requirements for the rank advancement portfolio in place in policy. Currently, only a CV and letter of application are required in Policy 632, so the requirements in Policy 637: Faculty Tenure have become the default. The Temporary Emergency revision will codify those requirements in Policy 632. It will also similarly clarify the processes for review of portfolios and for the creation and approval of department rank advancement criteria, also outlined in Policy 637 but not in Policy 632. Please review the executive summary for this temporary emergency policy revision and submit your feedback by October 10th
2. [Policy 632 Executive Summary](#) | [Feedback](#)

- ii. Policy 646: Faculty Appeals for Retention, Tenure, and Promotion is nearing entry to Stage 2 and we want to get faculty feedback prior to that to ensure that we can get the policy done this fall. Please review the policy draft and submit your feedback by October 10th.

1. [Policy 646 Stage 1 Draft](#) | [Feedback](#)

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8. Non-policy Related Action Calendar ([non-policy debate calendar overview](#))

- a. Feedback requested
 - i. none
- b. Updates on Non-policy Actions (as voted on by Senate) ([overview](#)) [no time given]
 - i. none
- c. Discuss Next Steps (and, as necessary, Vote on) Senate-Directed Action ([overview](#))
 - i. None
- d. Updates from proposals approved and being investigated (information items)
- e. Incoming Proposals and Proposal Next Steps

Note: Senators must vote to entertain further discussion or action on incoming proposals. With a majority vote to further entertain the proposal, Senators must then propose and vote on how to pursue the proposal.

- i. None

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9. Retention, Tenure, Promotion, & Appeals committee update

- a. Suzy has created an overall strategic plan for RTP@UVU. Given that RTP is an extremely important faculty function, please review the plan and strategic actions and submit your feedback by October 10th.
[RTP Strategic Plan](#) | [Feedback](#)
- b. We have a new website for RTP as part of the Faculty Senate website. While it is not yet complete – we plan to add sections for an FAQ, information about digital portfolios, training modules, etc. We would like to get your feedback on the current iteration. Please visit the [website](#) and provide your [feedback](#).
- c. As part of this website, we are also collecting faculty questions about RTP to create an FAQ page. Please submit your questions on the form below and invite your faculty to do the same.
[RTP FAQ Question Form](#)
- d. Suzy, Kat, and Nizhone have created a draft of a page about SRIs, including a statement about the use of SRIs for faculty evaluation (largely copied from the new RTP website), strategies for increasing response rates, and sample language you might use to discuss SRIs with your students. Please read the [document](#) and provide [feedback](#).

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10. Open comment and concerns period

- a. We have some time early this semester to share concerns that your faculty might be having. Please share any concerns coming from your areas!

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11. Administrative Updates – *No time allocated; written updates*

- a. Fulton Library: Karen Sturtevant [[link to update folder](#)]
- b. Office of Teaching and Learning (OTL): Wendy Athens [[link to update folder](#)]
- c. PACE: Beka Grulich [[link to update folder](#)]
- d. UVUSA: Ethan Morse [[link to update folder](#)]

12. Standing Committee Reports – *No time allocated; written updates*

- a. Special Assignments & Investigations: Elijah Neilson [[link to update folder](#)]
- b. Service & Elections: Sandie Waters [[link to update folder](#)]
- c. Curriculum: Evelyn Porter [[link to update folder](#)]
- d. Retention, Tenure, Promotions & Appeals: Suzy Cox [[link to update folder](#)]
- e. Advancement of Teaching: Joy Cole [[link to update folder](#)]

13. Other Committee Reports – *No time allocated; written updates*

- a.

14. Announcements

Note: No time allocated. Please review and send to your departments, as applicable

- a. [Travel Grants through OTL](#) are available.
 - i. If you are traveling internationally, make sure to check with the [international travel office](#) and the current rules around traveling.
- b. REMINDER: Advancement of Teaching wants to [pilot these two tools this fall](#) and are seeking feedback from Senate on the usefulness of these tools.
- c. REMINDER: Baldomero Lago from the Office of Global Engagement
 - i. First International Academic Conference on the Sustainable Development Goals to be hosted at UVU on October 5-7, 2022
 - ii. Opportunity for panelists, paper sessions, etc. CFP [here](#).
- d. Dr. Dambiso Moyo, [Presidential Lecture on October 1st](#) at 11:30.
- e.

15. Good of the order

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16. Adjourn