

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 15, 2025, 12:00 Noon

MSC 2W16b/Microsoft Teams

MEMBERS PRESENT: Heather Stark (v), Ross Salary, Uyi Lawani (v), Mike Huesmann, Zach Garrett (v), Shawn Schulenberg, Jessica Buerk (v), Mindy Varney, Kelli Johnson, Rick Gage, Amine Oudghiri-Otmani, Richard Egleton

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nathaniel Ramsey

EX-OFFICIO, NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Robin Riner, Del Chrol, Connor Waller

EX-OFFICIO, NON-VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Andrew Morelock

SENATE STAFF: Hailey Bibbee

GUESTS: Carl Mummert, Allison Carey (v), Sonja Cantrell-Johnson (v), Gretchen Beach (v), Eryn Roles (v), Kelly Bradley (v), Anna Mummert (v), Rohan Christie-David (v).

The meeting was convened at 12:02 p.m. by Chair Shawn Schulenberg.

1. Approval of Proposed Agenda - approved
2. Approval of Minutes of August 25, 2025 - approved
3. Announcements - Chair
 1. Suzi Konz from the School of Health and Movement Sciences in COHP has volunteered to serve as the liaison to the Athletic Committee. Thank you, Suzi. We are searching for liaisons for two standing committees: Faculty Personnel and Faculty Development.
 2. Last year, one of our passed University Policy recommendations, UPAA-8 Equivalencies for College Teaching, slipped through the cracks and did not go out for Shared Governance Review. We discovered this last month, and the last date for comments is this Friday, September 19.
 3. The Office of Academic Affairs sent to the Faculty Senate Office the number of full-time faculty numbers in each academic unit. We will use these numbers to reapportion seats for the 2026-28 Senate. We will report these results at the September 25 Faculty Senate Meeting.
 4. The Ad Hoc Committee on Course Evaluations is still completing their work. They did a lot of internal research and external benchmarking last year, and they are thinking big. They should have a proposal to us in the Spring.
 5. Please submit nominations for Spring 2025 Commencement Speaker & Honorary Degree Candidates by October 1, 2025. You can find the submission forms

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at www.marshall.edu/commencement. The Faculty Senate will review nominations at the November meeting.

6. Upcoming Meetings/Events

- a. The items we consider today will be reviewed at our Faculty Senate on September 25. We will be back in the Don Morris Room.
- b. Our next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for October 13 for items to be taken up at the October 23 Faculty Senate meeting. All recommendations and resolutions for those meetings are due at senate@marshall.edu by October 3.
- c. The Fall General Faculty Meeting is scheduled for October 15 at 4:00 pm in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.

4. Recommendations/Resolutions - none

5. Set Agenda for the Faculty Senate Meeting, September 25, 2025 - approved

- a. Approval of Proposed Agenda
- b. Approval of Minutes
- c. Announcements – Chair
- d. Recommendations/Resolutions
- e. Guest Speaker: Athletic Director – Gerald Harrison
- f. Regular Reports
 - i. University President – Brad Smith (15 minutes)
 - ii. Provost – Robert Bookwalter (15 minutes)
 - iii. Board of Governors – Robin Riner (5 minutes)
 - iv. Advisory Council of Faculty – Amine Oudghiri-Otmani (5 minutes)
 - v. Graduate Council – Richard Egleton (5 minutes)
 - vi. Student Government Association – Connor Waller (5 minutes)
- g. Standing Committee Liaison Reports
 - i. Government Affairs Committee – Marybeth Beller (4 minutes)
 - ii. University Curriculum Committee – Tim Melvin (4 minutes)

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- iii. Faculty Personnel Committee – Chair/Liaison (4 minutes)
- iv. Research Committee – Philippe Georgel (4 minutes)
- v. Student Conduct & Welfare Committee – Tony Viola (4 minutes)
- vi. Faculty Technology Committee – Nitin Puri (4 minutes)

h. Other Requests to Speak

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kelli Johnson

Kelli Johnson, Recording Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:



Shawn Schulenberg, Chair
Faculty Senate

October 13, 2025

Date Signed

MINUTES READ:



Brad Smith, President
Marshall University

OCT. 15, 2025

Date Signed