

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 13, 2025, 12:00 Noon

MSC 2W16b / Microsoft Teams

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

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

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PARLIAMENTARIAN: Zelideth Rivas

GUESTS: Carl Mummert, Allison Carey, Clinton Brown, Karen McComas, Andrew Morelock, Jim Denvir, Eryn Roles, Anna Mummert (v), Sonja Cantrell-Johnson (v), Sherri Stepp (v), Kelly Bradley (v), Billy Gardner, Jr. (v)

The meeting was convened at 12:03 p.m. by Chair Shawn Schulenberg.

1. Approval of Proposed Agenda - **approved**

2. Approval of Minutes of September 15, 2025 - **approved**

3. Announcements - Chair

1. It's Homecoming week. I hope you can make to the unity walk about 5:00 PM today.
2. The committee to review nominations for Spring 2026 Commencement Speaker and Honorary Degree will meet soon to send our recommendations to the President ahead of our November 1 deadline.
3. The Charlie Kirk assassination and aftermath have given us a stress test on several of our policies. The Five Families assembled on October 3 where we reviewed the gaps in our existing policies, specifically noting that 1) the Creed is an aspirational, not a policy, document, 2) we don't have an existing policy on faculty misconduct, 3) speech rights for staff are not clear, and 4) our existing policies are scattered. We will update you as this proceeds, but revisions to AA6 and a Faculty Misconduct policy are part of the solution.
4. We have several important items on our agenda today. Please review them thoroughly today and again before our October 23 Faculty Senate meeting.
5. Upcoming Meetings/Events
 - a. The items we consider today will be reviewed at our Faculty Senate on October 23.
 - b. Our next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for November 10 for items to be taken up at the November 20 Faculty Senate meeting. All recommendations and resolutions are due at senate@marshall.edu by October 31.

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- c. The Fall General Faculty Meeting is scheduled for October 15 at 4:00 pm in the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse.

4. Recommendations/Resolutions

- a. SR 25-26-01 FPC – Recommends Revisions to MUBOG Rule AA-6 – **Approved as Amended**
- b. SR 25-26-02 FPC – Recommends New UPAA on Faculty Misconduct – **Recommitted to Faculty Personnel Committee**
- c. SR 25-26-03 BAPC – Recommends Revisions to UPAA2 Class Attendance - **Approved**
- d. SR 25-26-04 BAPC – Recommends Revisions to UPAA-5 Midterm Grades - **Approved**
- e. SR 25-26-05 CC – Recommends Approval of the Listed UNDERGRADUATE COURSE ADDITION, DELETION, CHANGE in the following college and/or schools/programs: HON 301 - **Approved**

5. Set Agenda for the Faculty Senate Meeting, October 23, 2025 - **Approved**

- a. Approval of Proposed Agenda
- b. Approval of Minutes
- c. Announcements – Chair
- d. Recommendations/Resolutions
- e. 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)
- f. Standing Committee Liaison Reports
 - i. Academic Planning Committee – Daniel O’Malley (4 minutes)
 - ii. Athletic Committee – Suzanne Konz (4 minutes)
 - iii. Budget & Academic Policy Committee - Jana Tigchelaar (4 minutes)
 - iv. Library Committee – Margie Phillips (4 minutes)

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v. Faculty Development Committee – Chair/Liaison (4 minutes)

vi. Physical Facilities & Planning Committee – Jamey Halleck (4 minutes)

g. Other Requests to Speak

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kelli Johnson

Kelli Johnson, Recording Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:



Shawn Schulenberg, Chair
Faculty Senate

November 10, 2025

Date Signed

MINUTES READ:



Brad Smith, President
Marshall University

11/18/25

Date Signed