

**Faculty Senate Executive Committee**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, March 09, 2026, 12:00 Noon**

**MSC 2W16b / Microsoft Teams**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Egleton

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

EX-OFFICIO, NON-VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Andrew Morelock

FACULTY SENATE STAFF: Hailey Bibbee

GUESTS: Carl Mummert, Craig Kimble (v), Damien Arthur, Allison Carey, Gary McIlvain (v), Kelly Bradley (v)

The meeting was convened at 12:00 p.m. by Chair Shawn Schulenberg.

1. Approval of Proposed Agenda - approved

2. Approval of Minutes of February 9, 2026 - approved

3. Announcements – Chair

1. The last day of the WV Legislature session is scheduled for this Saturday, March 9. If all goes well, we will have flat budget, a raise, money for a new building for the JSESOM, and the establishment of the WV Collaboratory.
2. Today is the last day for Admin 20 review feedback on UPAA4 Course Withdrawal and UPAA5 Comprehensive Midterm Grades. We received some helpful feedback, and the Executive Committee made an editorial change to each.
3. Last week, the FPC chair and I had a meeting with Academic Affairs and Finance to discuss the raise structure in the proposed Post-Tenure Review draft. Due to the need to forecast more modeling, further discussion of this will be delayed until the next Academic Year.
4. We have two Faculty Senate meetings left this academic year. The items we consider today we be reviewed at the Faculty Senate meeting scheduled for March 26. Our final Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for April 13 for items to be taken up at the April 23 Faculty Senate meeting. All recommendations and resolutions are due at senate@marshall.edu by April 3. This will likely be a longer meeting as we have many items in the pipeline to consider.
  - a. The Ad-Hoc Course Evaluations committee is having their final meeting this Wednesday, March 9, to carve out their final recommendations.

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- b. The Faculty Personnel Committee is meeting tomorrow to review and discuss a Fitness to Serve Policy. Universities maintain fitness-to-serve policies to ensure that faculty can fulfill their professional responsibilities to students, colleagues, and the institution while providing a structured and fair process to address situations where a serious health, cognitive, or behavioral condition may impair a faculty member's ability to perform essential duties.
  - c. The BAPC and Graduate Council are reviewing a unified Appeals Policy. The BAPC will meet again to discuss it on March 23.
5. The Spring General Faculty Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 9 at 4:00 PM at the Joan C. Edwards Playhouse. A reception will immediately follow in the lobby.
6. Academic units will hold elections 2026-28 Faculty Senate in March. Guidance has already been mailed to all Deans. The newly elected senators will have their first meeting on April 30, 2026, at 4:00 PM in MSC Don Morris Room to choose their officers and executive committee.
4. Recommendations/Resolutions
- a. **SR 25-26-19 FPC** – Recommends a **New BOG Rule** on Faculty Conduct. (Revised) – approved
  - b. **SR 25-26-21 APC** – Resolves Following **Undergraduate Degree Programs Continue at Current Level**: BA Criminal Justice; BS Natural Resources and Recreation Management; BS Geology; Certificate Information Assurance. - approved
  - c. **SR 25-26-22 APC** – Resolves Following **Undergraduate Degree Programs Develop or Expand Due to Demand**: BS Environmental Science; BS Cyber Forensics & Security. - approved
  - d. **SR 25-26-23 UCC** – Recommends **Approval of Undergraduate Program Addition, Deletion, Change** in the following: Musical Theatre Minor; BA Theatre; Biomechanics; Biomec Pre-Physical Therapy; Biomec Pre-Med; Biomec Pre-Physician Assistant; BS Biochemistry; BS Professional Pilot. - approved
  - e. **SR 25-26-24 UCC** – Recommends **Approval of Undergraduate Course Addition, Deletion, Change** in the following: ART 204; BUSN 150; BUSN 152; BUSN 154; BUSN 156; BUSN 158; BUSN 160; BUSN 162; BUSN 164; BUSN 166; BUSN 168; BUSN 170; BUSN 172; GEO 451; HST 473; SCLA 475; AVSC 200; AVSC 205; AVSC 206; AVSC 210; AVSC 211; AVSC 215; AVSC 220; AVSC 222; AVSC 305; AVSC 328; AVSC 329; AVSC 330; AVSC 331; AVSC 335; AVSC 340; AVSC 341; AVSC 345; AVSC 375 AVSC 376; AVSC 380; MUSE 425; THE 370; CD 461; HS 435; NRE 111; UNI 103; THE 270. - approved
5. Set Agenda for the Faculty Senate Meeting, March 26, 2026 - approved

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- 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)
  - 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 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

*Kelli Johnson*

Kelli Johnson, Recording Secretary

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**MINUTES APPROVED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**



Shawn Schulenberg, Chair  
Faculty Senate

April 13, 2026

Date Signed

**MINUTES READ:**



Brad Smith, President  
Marshall University

4/14/2026

Date Signed