

**Marshall University Faculty Senate
Executive Committee Minutes
Monday, April 14, 2025, 12:00 Noon
MSC 2W16b/ Microsoft Teams**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

EX-OFFICIO, NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Robin Riner, Allison Carey, Brea Belville

EX-OFFICIO, NON-VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

Zeli Rivas (Parliamentarian)

GUESTS: Bill Gardner, Jr., Karen McComas (v), Teresa Eagle (v), Sonja Cantrell-Johnson (v), Gretchen Beach (v), Mohammad Abdulrahman (v).

The meeting was convened at noon by Chair Shawn Schulenberg.

1. Approval of Proposed Agenda - approved
2. Approval of Minutes of March 10, 2025 - approved
3. Announcements – Chair
 1. The President has signed the following documents:
 - a. February 10 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
 - b. February 20 Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes
 - c. All Senate Recommendations/Resolutions, except those out that are pending out for shared governance review.
 2. Last week was a busy week. We also hosted the Spring General Faculty Meeting. Earlier in the week, I also delivered my annual address to the Board of Governors. At that meeting, the BOG approved Rule GA 3 Discrimination, several intents to plan, program review recommendations, and our budget for AY 26, which includes a broad four percent cut across the university.
 3. The WV Legislature completed its 60-day session Saturday at 12:00 midnight. They passed SB 474, which limits DEI initiatives on campus, and HB 3279, which removes voting power from faculty, student, and staff representatives on the Board of Governors.
 4. We will have a few new ex-officio members joining the Executive Committee next academic year. I would like to congratulate Conner Waller, the new SGA President. He will be replacing Brea on the Senate. Del Chrol will also be replacing Allison as the Council of Chairs representative on the Executive Committee. Thank you, Brea and Allison, for your service!
 5. The Faculty Senate office is currently running three elections.
 - a. Faculty received an email last week soliciting self-nominations for faculty representatives to the Advisory Council of Faculty and Board of Governors. These are two-year terms elected every odd year. Nominations close at 5:00 PM on Friday, April 18. We will distribute this ballot together with the vote to amend the Faculty

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Constitution after the Faculty Senate meeting on April 24 (assuming the Senate recommends these changes).

- b. Our South Charleston representative on the Faculty Senate, Tom Hisiro, is retiring this academic year so the Senate Office is also soliciting self-nominations for this position until Friday, April 18 at 12:00 noon. We will run this election next week.
6. Upcoming Meetings/Events
- a. The items we consider today will be reviewed at our last Faculty Senate meeting of this academic year on April 24.
 - b. Our first Executive Committee meeting for the next Academic Year is scheduled for August 25 for items to be taken up at the September 4 Faculty Senate meeting. All recommendations and resolutions for those meetings are due at senate@marshall.edu by August 15.

4. Recommendations/Resolutions

- a. **SR 24-25-30 BAPC** Resolves Best Practices for Class Session Modification and Cancellation - approved
- b. **SR 24-25-31 CC** Recommends approval of the listed UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM Addition, Deletion, Change in the following college and/or schools/programs: Nutrition; BS, Sonography Degree [+ Program]; General Sonography; Adult Echocardiography; Child Welfare; Advanced Critical Thinking; Women Gender Sexuality Studies; Cryptography; Archaeological Geology. University College RBA: Regent's Bachelor of Arts Degree [+ Program]; History; Humanities; Anthropology; Communication Studies; Creative Writing Option; Criminal Justice; Cyber Forensics; Game Development; Geography; GIScience Geography; Human Geography; Information Assurance; Instruct Tech and Librarian; Literature in English; Military Science; Physical Geography; Political Science; Preschool Development; Psychology; Religion Studies; Sociology; Studio Art; Web Application Development; Women Gender Sexuality Studies. Pre-Geology Non-degree; Pre-Natural Res Rec Mgt Non-degree; Worksite Wellness; Business; Organizational Studies; Train and Dev for Organization; Computer Forensics; BA, Art; BA, Theatre; BA, Journalism; Broadcast; Multimedia Journalism; Sports Journalism; BA, Advertise/Public Relations; BA, Media Production; Radio/TV Production & Mgt; BFA, Theatre; Perform BFA, Theatre Emphasis; Production; BFA, Visual Art; Theatre; Theatre: Dance; BFA, Filmmaking; Television & Video Production; HR/Org Behavior; Human Resource Mgt Minor; BA, Elementary Education; Early Education/PK-K; BSME, Bach of Sci Mech Engineer; BSCE, Civil Engineering; Occupational Safety & Health; BS, Medical Imaging; Cardiovas Inter Adv Practice; CT MRI Adv Practice; MI Mgt Adv Practice Track; Mammography; Adv Diagnostic Radiography; ASN, Nursing; BA, Anthropology; Archaeological Anthropology AoE; BS, Biological Science; Cell, Molecular and Medical; Ecology and Evolutionary Bio; BS, Cyber Forensics and Secur; Medical Physics; Forensic Biology Emph, BSC Major; BS in Pharm Sciences Degree Program. - approved
- c. **SR 24-25-32 CC** Recommends approval of the listed UNDERGRADUATE COURSE Addition, Deletion, Change in the following college and/or schools/programs: JMC 242, 342, 230, 417, 101, 231, 241, 272, 273, 302, 330, 372, 373, 380, 404, 408, 414, 415, 420,

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424, 437, 438, 439, 451, 452, 475, 480, 481, 490, 491; CE 451; ME 315, 305, 312, 325, 425, 452; MI 443; SONO 210, 212, 213, 214, 216, 217, 220, 310, 315, 318, 320, 410, 416, 417, 418, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 433, 436, 438; SWK 274; ANT 336, 331, 468; CL 375; GEO 256, 426, 429, 440; GRK 402, 350; HST 466, 470, 475; LAT 201, 202, 203, 204; PHL 204, 380; BSC 121H, 432, 444, 444L; GLY 450, 426; MTH 456, 455; NRE 404, 440, 445, 446L, 447L, 450; PHY 102, 102L; STA 150H; MUS 109, 111, 112, 113, 114, 177A, 178A, 179A-D; THE 151, 152, 245, 250; WELL 305; RST 380; WS 101, 480, 481, 482; SST 301. - approved

d. **SR 24-25-33 EC** Recommends Revision to UPAA-2 (Class Attendance) - approved

e. **SR 24-25-34 AHC** Recommends Standardizing Catalog Processes – approved as amended

f. **SR 24-25-35 EC** Recommends Amending the Faculty Constitution - approved

6. Set Agenda for the Faculty Senate Meeting, April 24, 2025 (Held in the Don Morris Room) - approved

a. Approval of Proposed Agenda

b. Approval of Minutes

c. Announcements – Chair

d. Recommendations/Resolutions

e. Regular Reports

i. President – Brad Smith (15 minutes)

ii. Provost – Avinandan Mukherjee (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 – Brea Belville (5 minutes)

f. Standing Committee Liaison Reports

i. Legislative Affairs Committee – Marybeth Beller (4 minutes)

ii. University Curriculum Committee – Tim Melvin (4 minutes)

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)

g. Other Requests to Speak

The meeting was adjourned 12:16 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted:

Kelli Johnson

Kelli Johnson, Recording Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:



Shawn Schulenberg, Chair
Faculty Senate

August 25, 2025

Date Signed

MINUTES READ:



Brad Smith, President
Marshall University

9/3/25

Date Signed