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# SWOSU Faculty Senate Official Minutes

Friday, August 26, 2022 @ 2:30 PM in STF 110 and  
via Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/98879500746>

- **Call to Order:** Faculty Senate meeting was called to order by President Jessica Salmans at 2:31 PM.
- **Establishment of a Quorum:** Landry Brewer, Jieun Chang, Glenna Davis, Jared Edwards, Trevor Ellis, Amanda Evert, Swarup Ghosh, Angela Gore, Jon Henrikson, Jeremy Johnson, Daniel Kavish, Sharon Lawrence, Alex Lee, Nolan Meditz, Vanessa Nix, Andy North, Kathy O'Neal, Dana Oliver, Eric Paul, Bo Pagliasotti, Brian Rickel, Hardeep Saluja, Horrick Sharma, Debra Stevens, Ubeidat Muatasem
- **Certification of Substitutes:** Fredric Murray for Phillip Fitzsimmons, Jr.; Teri Stubbs for Dana Lloyd
- **Presentation of Visitors:** None
- **Approval of Minutes:** July 2022 were approved with correction of attendance
- **Announcements**
  - Executive Council & Administrative Council Meeting
    - Budget was explained during the council meetings, as was done at our All-Faculty Meeting on Friday, August 19, 2022.
    - President Lovell has requested standing job listings for Adjuncts be posted.
    - Discussion regarding Gen Ed sections being full this semester due to enrollment increase and challenge in finding courses for incoming students. Asking that Course Rotations and number of General Education course listings be reviewed.
  - Faculty Senate Executive officers meeting with Dr. Kendall on August 24.
    - Dr. Kendall passed along that current numbers have enrollment up by 2% overall and by 1% in actual credit hours.
    - Officers discussed the challenges faculty faced due to the SSO outages, with a focus on what options or safeguards were being put in place in case this was an issue in the future to ensure communication with students would not be interrupted.
    - Continued to discuss efforts for Faculty Recognition
      - SWOSU may be able to create an option for faculty to have personal webpages again.
      - Noted issues with faculty being listed with the incorrect titles/positions on the directory
    - Rose State Articulation agreements discussed
      - Dr. Kendall provided more details about the different departmental agreements that had been made between SWOSU and Rose State
      - If other departments were interested in the process, they should contact Chad Kinder.
    - Discussion of a language change in the Faculty Handbook
      - During the meeting with the Faculty Senate Executive Council, the Provost brought forth an initial change in wording in the Faculty Handbook related to office hours for faculty
      - Currently, Dr. Kendall is wanting to have a dialogue with faculty to provide feedback and suggestions for language.
  - New Faculty Welcome Reception
    - Jessica requested Faculty Senate allow her to contact Auxiliary Services to find a time where they were available to provide refreshments for the reception.
    - No one on Faculty Senate objected

- **Unfinished Business:** None
- **New Business:**
  - The Faculty Senate President provided the current language and what is being workshopped for potential changes to the wording.
    - Before discussions among Faculty Senate, it was conveyed that Dr. Kendall would attend the September Faculty Senate Meeting for further discussion.
    - After introducing the language, the Faculty Senate President turned the floor over to the senators, where further discussion on the rationale and other topics related to the topic were presented by various individuals.

- **Secretary/Treasurer Jon Henrikson**

- Please check the minutes carefully from each meeting to be assured you were not missed.
- Treasurer’s Report
  - BancFirst

	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
July Balance			\$2109.65
End of July Correction	*\$283.38		\$2393.03
Faculty Dues In-Person Collection	\$630.00		\$3023.03
Faculty Dues Square/QR code	\$76.70		\$3099.73
Service Plaques Payment		(\$649.60)	\$2450.13

- University Account
  - July Balance: \$105.01
  - Current Balance: \$105.01
- Provided information related to dues collection
  - 240 Faculty currently listed on
  - 130 Signed-in prior to meeting on Friday, August 29
  - Collected for 126 faculty through in-person collection (\$630.00)
  - Collected for 15 faculty through Square/QR code (\$76.70)
- Senators requested comparative numbers to previous years (2021-22) dues collection, which would be provided through email and at next meeting.
- Senators requested QR code link be provided to departments for faculty who were not able to attend the meeting and were wanting to provide dues. This would be sent by email.

- **President-Elect Trevor Ellis**

- Discussed hopes for Faculty Senate in the upcoming year though the chance to have in-person discussions, such as this meetings discussion related to changes in the Faculty Handbook.
- Encouraged having those additional conversations before and after the meeting to help to work on finding common problems and approaches to solving

- **Past President Amanda Evert:** None

- **Faculty Athletic Representative Bo Pagliasotti**

- Fall athletic seasons were already in full swing
- Provided information about upcoming events

- **Student Government Representative:** None
- **Library Representative** Frederic Murray for Phillip Fitzsimmons: None
- **Reports from Standing and Ad Hoc Committees:** None
- **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 3:52 PM
- **Next Meeting:** Friday, August 26 at 2:30 PM