

Faculty Senate Online Meeting Minutes  
12:30-1:45 February 26, 2024

Fall FS meetings will be held [online](#).

| <b>Affiliation</b>   | <b>Name</b>            |
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| <b>College of the Arts</b>                                 |                        |
| Art and Design, School of                                  | Sandee Chamberlain     |
| Dance  | McCree O'Kelley        |
| Music, School of   | Jeffrey Yunek          |
| Theatre and Performance Studies                            | Jacqueline Springfield |
| <b>College of Architecture and Construction Management</b> |                        |
| Architecture   | Michael Carroll        |
| Construction Management                                    | Lantz Holtzower        |
| <b>College of Computing and Software Engineering</b>       |                        |
| Computer Science   | Victor Clincy          |
| Information Technology                                     | Ying Xie               |
| Statistics and Analytical Sciences                         | Austin Brown           |
| Software Engineering                                       | Hassan Pournaghshband  |
| <b>Coles College of Business</b>                           |                        |
| Accountancy, School of                                     | Kent Altom             |
| Economics, Finance and Quantitative Analysis               | David Bray             |
| Information Systems  | Carole Hollingsworth   |
| Management, Entrepreneurship, and Hospitality              | Shelby Meek            |
| Marketing and Professional Sales                           | Randy Stuart           |
| <b>Bagwell College of Education</b>                        |                        |
| Educational Leadership                                     | Albert Jimenez         |
| Elementary and Early Childhood Education                   | Scott Ritchie          |
| Inclusive Education  | Zachary Johnson        |
| Instructional Technology                                   | Yeol Huh               |
| Secondary and Middle Grades Education                      | Jillian Ford           |
| <b>WellStar College of Health and Human Services</b>       |                        |
| Exercise Science and Sport Management                      | Chad Goebert           |
| Health Promotion and Physical Education                    | Matthew Lyons          |
| Social Work and Human Services                             | Cameron Greensmith     |
| Nursing, WellStar School of                                | Nancy Ballard          |
| <b>College of Humanities and Social Sciences</b>           |                        |
| Communication and Media, School of                         | Minhao Dai             |
| Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development,        | Heather Pincock        |
| English  | M. Harper              |
| World Languages and Cultures                               | Thierry Leger          |
| Geography and Anthropology                                 | Susan Smith            |

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| History and Philosophy  | Amy Donahue        |
| Interdisciplinary Studies   | Rebecca Hill       |
| School of Government International Affairs                                    | Stephen Collins    |
| Psychological Science   | Daniel Rogers      |
| Sociology and Criminal Justice  | Melanie Holland    |
| Technical Communication and Interactive Design                                | Snehal Shirke      |
| <b>College of Science and Mathematics</b>                                     |                    |
| Chemistry and Biochemistry  | Michael Van Dyke   |
| Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology                                    | Nicholas Green     |
| Mathematics   | William Griffiths  |
| Molecular and Cellular Biology  | Dale Vogelien      |
| Physics   | David Garofalo     |
| <b>Southern Polytechnic College of Engineering and Engineering Technology</b> |                    |
| Civil and Construction Engineering  | M. A. Karim        |
| Computer and Electrical Engineering   | Sumit Chakravarty  |
| Engineering Technology  | Jeff Wagner        |
| Mechanical Engineering  | Sathish Gurupatham |
| Mechatronics Engineering  | Ying Wang          |
| Systems and Industrial Engineering  | Lin Li             |
| <b>Horace W. Sturgis Library</b>  |                    |
| Department of Library Resources   | Michelle Lee       |
| Department of Public Services   |                    |
| <b>Honors College</b>   | Nicholas Ellwanger |

### Guests

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| Kathy Schwaig   |
| Harrison Long   |
| Ian Ferguson    |
| Glen Meades     |
| Michelle Lee    |
| Bryan McGovern  |
| Karen McDonnell |
| Ivan Pulinkala  |
| Yvonne Wichman  |
| Lynn Lamanac    |
| David Garofalo  |
| Pam Cole        |
| Michelle Head   |
| Amy Buddie      |

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| Carmen Skaggs          |
| Karen Kornweibel       |
| Robin Cheramie         |
| Nwakaego Nkumeh Walker |
| Casey Tanner           |
| Anissa Vega            |
| Doug Moodie            |
| Sumanth Yenduri        |
| Ruth Goldfine          |
| Lisa Duke              |
| Leigh Funk             |
| Lesley Netter-Snowden  |
| Karin Scarpinato       |
| Catherine Kaukinen     |
| Catherine Lewis        |
| Kristina DuRocher      |
| Adrian Epps            |
| Lori Lowder            |
| Juliet Langman         |

### Online Faculty Senate Meeting Expectations

1. Voting will be carried out electronically (link will be available in the chat window) and will be tracked. **Please only vote if you are a senator.** A non-senator voting will result in an immediate permanent ban from the faculty senate.
2. Use the “Raise your hand” feature in order to be recognized.
3. Motions will be preferred over discussion items so that we typically have action items on the floor.
  - a. To further promote discussion, the president of the faculty senate will begin by calling for dissenting opinions. If there are no dissenting voices, we will be able to call for a vote directly and increase efficiency in our meetings.
4. Please familiarize yourself with Robert’s Rules of Order:  
[https://assembly.cornell.edu/sites/default/files/roberts\\_rules\\_simplified.pdf](https://assembly.cornell.edu/sites/default/files/roberts_rules_simplified.pdf)

### Welcome

Susan Kirkpatrick Smith

### New Business:

0. Apply for the FSEC, 3-year (if applying for president elect). I believe our bylaws say you can run for president elect no matter what year in your term you are.  
 Susan: From our bylaws: Faculty Senate President

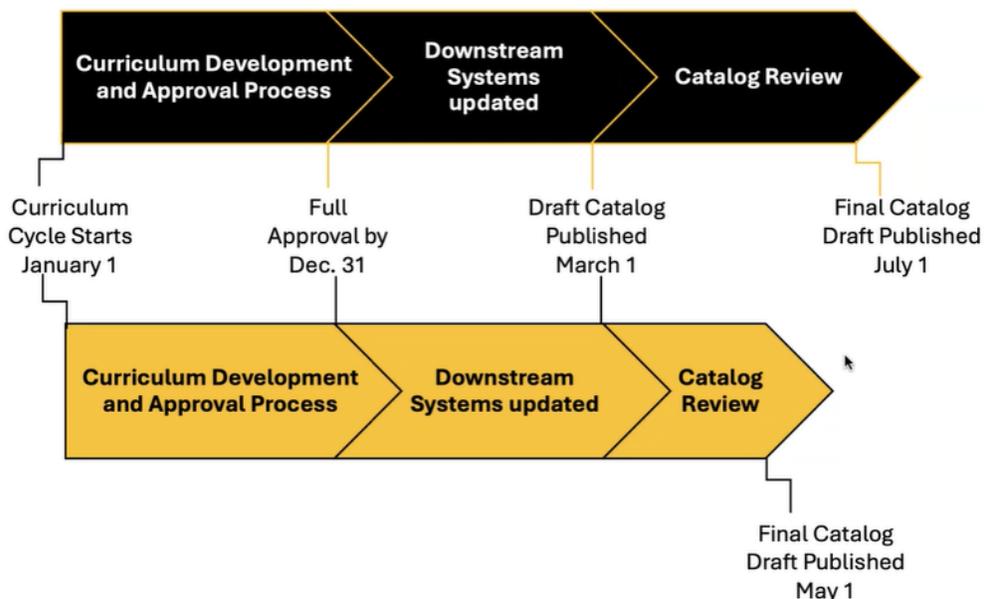
i. The Faculty Senate Vice President/President-elect becomes the Faculty Senate President beginning immediately upon the election of a new Faculty Senate Vice President/President-elect. The Faculty Senate President serves a one-year term without regard to the length of time remaining in his or her original term of office as a department representative.

1. Call for nominations or self-nominations for FSEC positions – Susan Kirkpatrick Smith (5 minutes)
2. Information items – Todd Harper (5 minutes)
  - a. Communication: There will be a new digest (to be developed by UITS). The university will roll out the intranet. Rather than someone making an announcement, a digest will have it, and the intranet will have space for within-university events and options,
  - b. Student Disability Services: The survey for SDS has given us a good start. 2 options, F2F @Kennesaw Campus and others, will be virtual.
  - c. Out-of-State work policy discussion follow-up: Todd explained the issue.
3. Motion to revise the ARD Due Date Policy – Randy Stuart (10 minutes) Motion to change the due date of the ARD to up to one week before the Kennesaw due date.

Glen: what was it due before the Kennesaw date? Not sure  
Sumanth: It allows unit leaders to summarize their reports when they go up early. The department chair needs to collate the information so that they can submit their annual reports.  
Jeff: It should not be solely the administrator's suggestion.  
Susan: the chair can look at it as soon as it's submitted, even before the deadline.  
Vote for "Do you support amending the language about the due dates of ARDs": 37 yes, 7 no.
4. Graduate Policy Changes for Catalog – Juliet Langman (20 minutes) – Tabled for future meeting
  - a. These five (5) policy changes will be considered and voted on as a block unless there is a need to pull one or more out for a separate vote.
    - i. 2.5 Classification of Courses
      1. change policy for allow for two levels in care of transfer or substitute- rather than 1
    - ii. 2.6 Full Time and Maximum Course Load
      1. change summer fulltime course load from 9 to 6 SCH
    - iii. 2.6.1 Full time Course Load for doctoral students advanced to candidacy
      1. 6 hours for Fall and Spring – 3 hours for summer
    - iv. 3.2.1 Grading of Thesis/Dissertation Credits
      1. Discussion of removal of IP (In Progress) as grading option
    - v. 3.7 Repeated courses
      1. Consider replacing rather than counting both grades for repeated courses
5. Discussion to change the start date of the new catalog to summer rather than fall – Anissa Vega (10 minutes): making the catalog effective May 1st rather than July 1<sup>st</sup>. Students register for the current (summer) and future catalogs. The impact would be on depart chair: time to review their draft catalog is shorter. They are OK. The registrar will have to code a bit faster for the schedule building. They can do so in 2025.

Glen Meades: will it affect dual enrollment?  
Anisa: No this will benefit Bagwell and the new students. Its not a policy, so no need to take a vote. Will this negatively impact anyone?  
Glen Meades: Will this change the course we want to teach?  
Anisa: Summer courses can be planned at the same time as Fall.

## Proposed Change to Catalog Publication Date – Affect on the Full Process



6. ARD and PTR Scoring – Jeffrey Yunek (10 minutes)  
Jedd Yunek: With the new scoring system (out of 5). The workload requirement is only for ARD, not for PTR. We have the two 5-point system; the lack of a weighted scoring system may be more beneficial than a weighted one. ARD appeals end at the Dean level; PTR levels go to the provost. Although ARD focuses on Teaching, scoring 1 or 2 in any area will trigger PRP, and one more year will trigger PIP.
7. President's Update – Kat Schwaig (5 minutes): KSU day at the capitol today. Student governor, ambassador, and scrappy were there. Legislators come by and say hello. Thursday, the Senate passed its version. Last year, 66m\$, that money was put back, and it's encouraging that it might be put back. 6.2M\$ for iSTEM building equipment funds. System office 88M\$ for major repair and renovations of facilities. Poster Day (Amy Buddie). Number of interns there. Tricia Chastain and I will be at the system office tomorrow for a discussion on the last five years of finance and budget and talking about the future.
8. Provost's Update – Ivan Pulinkala (5 minutes): Two faculty colleague will be receiving the Regents award, with receipts selected in a highly competitive process. Dr. Evans and Dr. Yi Jin are the recipients. Dr. Coopman is the new Dean of the College of Science, Ongoing search in Arts and SPCEET.  
Adjourned!

### Consent Agenda:

*Notes from CDA by Glen Meades*

1. Approval of December minutes (no meeting from January) (John Havard)
2. Student Success presentation (Lori Lowder, Mary Lou Odom, Robert Jordan, Mandy McGrew)  
Lori, Many Lou, and Robert shared slides on how the SMART and Writing Centers can help students

3. Office of Institutional Equity updates (Camille Cartwright)

Camille shared informational slides on Title VII and IX procedures

4. Human Resources discussion (Karen McDonnell)

Karen discussed the newly implemented, revised, recurring 3-month review of staff pay with respect to fair market values and the impact on moving staff reviews from calendar year to fiscal year

5. Provost discussion (Ivan Pulinkala)

Ivan reflected on the above talking points and answered the Faculty Senate question of out-of-state working with "no," saying it is an occupational decision (admin purview), not an academic one (faculty shared governance purview). He did clarify that working out-of-state is not entire prohibited but should be rare and situational with careful consideration

*Notes from ADC by Minhao Dai*

- The deans approved the establishment of the Center for Evaluation, Assessment, and Applied Research, which will be housed within the Office of Research.
- The council discussed the processes and plans of one-time funding related to strategic infrastructure planning.
- Enrollment Services discussed the positive trajectories of freshman retention, the target of 2024-25 Year, and the ongoing efforts to encourage summer enrollment.
- The Provost gave an update on current R2 Roadmaps and ongoing strategic plans, dean searches, and academic branding.
- There was a robust discussion regarding a course for undergraduate research internships; this will be brought to the Faculty Senate later.