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**Governors State University Faculty Senate
August 26, 2021, 1:00-3:00PM, Hall of Honors and Zoom**

Minutes

Senators in Attendance:

x	R. Muhammad (AL/CAS)	x	L. Cambric (COB)^	x	L. Peng (COE)
x	A. Vujaklija (AL/COE)	x	J. Vining (CAS)^	x	A. Buehler (CHHS)
x	D. Golland (AL/CAS)	x	C. White (CAS)^	x	C. Tymkow (CHHS)
	M. Zell (AL/CHHS)	x	C. Vanderpool (COB)	x	S. Wadhwa (CHHS)
x	C. Tweddle (AL/CAS)	x	T. He (COB)	x	S. Spencer (CHHS)
x	N. Ermasova (CAS)	x	S. Sargut (COB)^	x	N. Rekhter (CHHS)^
x	J. Goode (CAS)	x	S. Azmy (COE)		J. Sopiartz (UL)
x	P. Guimond (CAS)	x	S. Cervantes (COE)^	x	T. Kerns (Unit B/COB)
	D. James (CAS)	x	M. Cummings (COE)	x	B. Winicki (Emeritus)
x	J. Chen (CAS)^	x	A. Cipra (COE)		

^ Temporary until Special Election

Others Present:

I. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda. Dr. Golland called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

The agenda comes moved and seconded by Executive Committee. Agenda approved.

II. Approval of Standing Rules (Golland). Motion made to approve the Standing Rules - Tymkow.

Seconded- Muhammad. Standing Rules approved.

III. External Reports

A. University Administration

Dr. Green

Attended various faculty and student meetings this week.

Three points of focus on report:

- Enrollment
- Safety and Wellness - Governor's vaccination requirements, records for
- Important dates: Sept 2, Sept 15th, Sept 17th .

Recognition of Provost Cada's transition

Provost Cada

Thanked Faculty Senate for presentation at the retreat

Operating Plan is up.

Email reminders for policies is coming out.

Syllabus statements

COVID procedures

Policies sent to the President for signature: 7, 11, 31, 4

Thanked the FS executive committee for their leadership.

Dr. Green recognized Dr. Bylaska's transition

Dr. Bylaska

A lot of preparations for the Fall operating plan.

Gov. plan – unless you have religious objection, vaccination by Sept 5th or weekly tests.

Meeting with reps of the Shield program today – ramp up the frequency of testing on campus

Without vaccination or testing plan – individuals will not be given access to GSU campus

Walgreens vaccination event on campus – September 2nd

Cleaning every classroom after every class

Installation of high flex instruction tools

Increased cyber security

Debt service refinancing – great savings to the university

Budget is in good shape – aided by influx of federal and state funds

Public safety – will have a challenge with enforcement of new mandates

B. University Professionals of Illinois (Hart)

- Not here

C. Student Senate (Lopez)

- Theme for the year – student life and activities, reconnecting with community, reassuring students that we are safe

D. Civil Service Senate (Harper)

- Not here

IV. Closed Session. Motion made by Golland to move to Closed Session.

Seconded. Approved. [Motion carries by roll call vote (26 yes, ___ pass, and ___ no).]

Closed session began at _1:48_ p.m.

Motion made by Golland to adjourn closed session. Seconded. Approved.

Closed session ended at _2:17_ p.m.

V. Seating of Executive Committee

- Motion made to seat the 2021-22 Executive Committee consisting of:

President - Cummings

Vice-President - Peng

Secretary - Wadhwa

College Reps

CAS – Twedde

COB – He

CED – Cervantes

CHHS - Rekhter

UL – Sopiartz

Motion – Golland

Second – Vujaklija

Approved.

VI. Old Business: Approval of Previous Minutes (pp. 146-149)

- Motion made by Golland by to approve the May Faculty Senate Minutes. Seconded by Tymkow.
- Approved.

VII. New Business

A. Appointments to Vacancies

- Nominations to committee vacancies have been made by the Executive Committee as listed on page 150 of the Faculty Senate packet. Motion made to seat the nominees. Seconded.
- Approved.

B. APRC Expansion Seat

- Motion made to add an expansion seat to APRC. Seconded.
- Approved

VIII. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Additional Documents

N/A

Upcoming Dates

- Senate Executive Committee: September 2, 1:00 to 3:00, TBA
- Academic Council: September 7, 1:00 to 3:00, TBA
- Senate: September 16, 1:00 to 3:30, TBA
- Foundation Board: September 23, 9-11am, TBA
- Board of Trustees: October 8, 8:30am-, TBA