



OSU Faculty Senate News

February 9, 2022

The OSU Faculty Senate represents academic and research faculty (tenure, tenure-track and fixed-term), as well as professional faculty. There is no minimum FTE for Faculty Senate inclusion. The defined faculty ranks appear in Article III of the Bylaws at <https://senate.oregonstate.edu/bylaws>.

The purpose of the newsletter is to update faculty on upcoming opportunities and events, as well as information items related to the Faculty Senate. You can access information about our meetings, committees, and activities at <https://senate.oregonstate.edu/>. Contact information and a list of Senate leadership is available at the end of this document.

1. **January Faculty Senate Action Items**

- Motion to approve Michael Beachley as Faculty Senate Parliamentarian; motion passed with 65 votes in favor, 0 votes in opposition and 1 abstention.
- Motion to approve changes to the Food Science and Technology Undergraduate Major (BS, HBS) – Key #185; motion passed with 73 votes in favor, 0 votes in opposition and 3 abstentions.

2. **Student Bill of Rights**

On December 9, 2021, students representing the ASOSU Office of Advocacy presented a request to the Faculty Senate to require the addition of the [Student Bill of Rights](#) on all course syllabi; Faculty Senators approved this request.

By including the Student Bill of Rights in course syllabi, students felt that it:

- Reinforces the concept of a syllabus acting as a written agreement between faculty and students
- Protects students and faculty
- Reminds faculty of their responsibility to follow their syllabus
- Improves course transparency and clarity
- Demonstrates OSU's commitment to student success

Please ensure that the entire Student Bill of Rights appears on all syllabi – linking is not acceptable.

3. **OSU Presidential Search Update**

Trustee Julie Manning, Presidential Search Advisory Committee (SAC) chair, will provide a brief update at the February 10 Faculty Senate meeting. There has been significant activity related to the search since Trustee Manning's update at the December Faculty Senate meeting. The SAC, with executive search firm Isaacson, Miller, held 15 listening sessions (including one with the Faculty Senate) and used an online survey to gather input from OSU community members and stakeholders. Over 200 people participated in the listening sessions, and over 140 responded to the survey, providing input regarding the

qualities and qualifications that the next president should possess, and the opportunities and challenges facing the university. This input helped to inform the creation of the [Presidential Profile](#), a document that serves as both a recruiting and evaluative tool for the board and the SAC, which the Board of Trustees unanimously adopted on January 28. Nominations for president are welcome and should be submitted to presidentsearch@oregonstate.edu as soon as possible to allow maximum time for consideration. On February 10, Julie will provide further information about community engagement and next steps in the search process.

4. Baccalaureate Core Reform

The Baccalaureate Core Reform Committee co-chairs, Dr. John Edwards and Dr. Lori Kayes, are hosting college forums. Participants will learn about the reform process, preview curricular template drafts, engage in conversation and provide feedback. Participation and collaboration will help inform the final curricular model proposed to the university for adoption. Please share this message broadly throughout your college. Individual college forums have been scheduled and invitations sent to college leadership with a registration link to attend. You may also view the schedule at <https://apa.oregonstate.edu/bacc-core/bacc-core-reform/reform-phase-ii-work-progress/bacc-core-reform-roadshow-request>. For those who cannot make it to their specific forum, a recording and feedback form will be available.

To learn more about the process, please visit our website at <https://apa.oregonstate.edu/bacc-core/bacc-core-reform>.

5. February 10 Faculty Senate Meeting – Agenda Topics

- OSU Presidential Search Update – Julie Manning
- Action Items
 - Curricular Proposals
 - [Medical Physics Graduate Major](#) (MMP, MS, PhD) – Key #495
 - [Dual Language Education Graduate Certificate](#) – Key #367
 - Proposed Revisions to Academic Regulations
 - AR 7. [Maximum and Minimum Registration](#)
 - AR 21. [Honor Role](#)
 - AR 31. [Academic Fresh Start Policy \(Undergraduate Students\)](#)
- Special Reports
 - Recap of January 28, 2022 Board of Trustees Meeting – Inara Scott
 - Racism and Anti-Racism Curriculum Task Force Report – Alix Gitelman, Marta Maldonado
 - Baccalaureate Core Reform Committee Update – John Edwards
 - Faculty Handbook Review – Bob Mason

Faculty Senators can be found [online](#) by apportionment unit.

6. Interim President Johnson to Meet with Faculty

Interim President Johnson and the Faculty Senate Executive Committee are continuing the long-standing tradition of sponsoring small group faculty conversations with academic, research and professional faculty. Each conversation will be facilitated by a Faculty Senate Executive Committee member and will consist of up to 12 faculty. These conversations, via Zoom, provide Interim President Johnson with an opportunity to receive candid feedback from faculty and an occasion for idea and information exchange.

To register for winter term sessions, which are scheduled for February 18 from 1:00-2:30 and March 8 from 2:00-3:30, please access the registration form at https://oregonstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8wbi3tzlsYtenge.

7. **University Accreditation Update**

OSU is in the third year of our seven-year accreditation cycle, with the Mid-Cycle Evaluation Report due to the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) in early March. This is followed by a virtual Site Visit by NWCCU peer evaluators Monday, April 25-Tuesday, April 26. The Mid-Cycle Review is intended to be a formative and collegial review with the evaluators assessing our progress in the areas of mission fulfillment, student achievement and assessment of student learning. The peer evaluators will request meetings with OSU faculty, staff, and students. In anticipation of the visit, please keep these days in mind for a possible meeting with the evaluators. If you or your colleagues have questions regarding the self-evaluation process or upcoming Site Visit, please contact JoAnne Bunnage, Assistant Vice Provost, Assessment and Accreditation, at joanne.bunnage@oregonstate.edu or visit <https://accreditation.oregonstate.edu/>.

8. **COVID-19 Updates**

It's a tough time for everyone, especially parents and caretakers, but we seem to be on the downward slope of new cases! KN95 and N95 masks are available on campus and testing for non-symptomatic students and employees is available at the Student Success Center and Cascade Hall in Corvallis and Ray Hall in Bend.

Regular updates are posted on the COVID-19 Safety and Success Plan website <https://covid.oregonstate.edu/>, which includes a link to latest information: <https://covid.oregonstate.edu/latest-updates/covid-19-updates-boosters-isolation-and-other-important-information>.

Positive Test Notification:

<https://covid.oregonstate.edu/positive-case-notification>

Quarantine and Isolation Guidelines:

<https://oregonstate.app.box.com/s/bag6fngjy4duvthklyurwmx255umqmt0>

Boosters are now required. Learn more about the university's vaccination requirements here:

<https://covid.oregonstate.edu/vaccination-program-requirement>

Information for Teaching Faculty:

<https://covid.oregonstate.edu/safety-and-success-planning#sectionfour>

Testing (Winter Term):

Corvallis

Student Experience Center: Mon-Fri 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Cascade Hall 120: Mon-Fri 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Bend

Ray Hall 302: Mon-Wed 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-6 p.m.

9. **Faculty Senate 2022 Meetings – Dates and Participation**

March 10, April 14, May 12, June 9, October 13, November 10, December 8

Non-Senators are welcome to participate in Faculty Senate meetings but, to avoid unexpected Zoom incidents, the login instructions are not being published. If you wish to remotely participate in this or future Faculty Senate meetings, please fill out the linked Qualtrics [survey](#) requesting to participate – you'll need to provide your OSU email, name and unit (please, no abbreviations). Your OSU

email will be subscribed to a listserv to receive Zoom instructions as well as the agenda for future Faculty Senate meetings.

If it's the day of the Faculty Senate meeting, please send a request to [Caitlin Calascibetta](#) no later than Noon.

Faculty Senate meetings are open to the public.

10. **Vacancies**

Please notify the Faculty Senate Office if a sabbatical, leave or retirement will prevent completion of your term as either a Senator or Faculty Senate committee/council member. If you are away more than one term, exclusive of summer term, a replacement is required. This information will assist us in identifying a replacement.

If you are unsure when your Senator or committee/council term ends, you may check the [Senator membership list](#) or the [Committees & Councils site](#).

11. **Communicating with the Faculty Senate President**

To ensure that messages related to Faculty Senate issues are routed directly to the Faculty Senate President, please address your messages to FS.President@oregonstate.edu.

12. **2022 Faculty Senate Leadership**

- President – [Erika McCalpine](#)
- President-Elect – [Kate MacTavish](#)
- Immediate Past President – [Selina Heppell](#)
- Executive Committee – [Justin Fleming](#), [Anne Gillies](#), [Jake Hamblin](#), [McKenzie Huber](#), [Margaret Mellinger](#), [Marleigh Perez](#), [Dorian Smith](#) and [Jordon Zardinejad](#)
- Interinstitutional Faculty Senate Senators – [JoAnne Bunnage](#), [John Edwards](#), [McKenzie Huber](#)
- Faculty Senators representing all apportionment units are online at <https://senate.oregonstate.edu/current-year-membership>. Names of newly elected Faculty Senators appear in red.

Information about the Faculty Senate is available online at <https://senate.oregonstate.edu/>. If you have questions about any of the items listed above or need additional information, you may contact Vickie Nunnemaker at vickie.nunnemaker@oregonstate.edu, 541-737-6268 or send an email with a Subject line of FS Newsletter to faculty.senate@oregonstate.edu.