

# **OSU Faculty Senate News**

March 7, 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 <a href="https://senate.oregonstate.edu/bylaws">https://senate.oregonstate.edu/bylaws</a>.

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 <a href="https://senate.oregonstate.edu/">https://senate.oregonstate.edu/</a>. Contact information and a list of Senate leadership is available at the end of this document.

## 1. February Faculty Senate Action Items

- Motion to approve termination of Graduate Major Medical Physics Graduate Major (MMP, MS, PhD) – Key #495; motion passed with 91 votes in favor, 0 votes in opposition and 2 abstentions
- Motion to approve changes to the Dual Language Education Graduate Certificate – Key #367; motion passed with 89 votes in favor, 0 votes in opposition and 1 abstention
- Motion to approve revisions to AR 7 <u>Maximum and Minimum Registration</u>; motion passed with 80 votes in favor, 0 votes in opposition and 6 abstentions
- Motion to approve revisions to AR 21 <u>Honor Role</u>; motion passed with 83 votes in favor, 0 votes in opposition and 2 abstentions
- Motion to approve revisions to AR 31 <u>Academic Fresh Start Policy</u> (<u>Undergraduate Students</u>); motion passed with 79 votes in favor, 0 votes in opposition and 8 abstentions

# 2. Student Learning Experience (SLE) Survey is OPEN

Our new feedback survey for courses and teaching is now open and will be available to students through Sunday, March 13: <a href="mailto:beav.es/Student-Learning-Survey">beav.es/Student-Learning-Survey</a>. Please help us improve response rates by reminding your students to participate. For helpful pointers on how to encourage student feedback, please see this document.

The <u>Student Learning Experience</u> survey, developed by the Advancement of Teaching Committee and Center for Teaching and Learning. eSET Questions 1 and 2 are included in this year's surveys. **To aid in the interpretation of responses**, please review this <u>document</u> that explains how the SLE was developed and how to interpret student feedback.

# 3. Syllabus Minimum Requirement Updates

There have been two recent changes to the **Syllabus Minimum Requirements**:

a) The <u>Student Bill of Rights</u> is a new, required statement that must appear on syllabi beginning spring term 2022. This statement was approved by the Faculty Senate in December 2021. The text is:

Student Bill of Rights: OSU has twelve established student rights. They include due process in all university disciplinary processes, an equal opportunity to learn, and grading in accordance with the course syllabus: <a href="https://asosu.oregonstate.edu/advocacy/rights.">https://asosu.oregonstate.edu/advocacy/rights.</a>"

b) The electronic Student Evaluation of Teaching (eSET) has been renamed the <u>Student Learning Experience</u> (SLE) survey. The course feedback statement is optional on syllabi but if included, must use the following wording from the syllabus minimum requirements:

Student Learning Experience Survey: During Fall, Winter, and Spring term the online Student Learning Experience surveys open to students the Wednesday of week 9 and close the Sunday before Finals Week. Students will receive notification, instructions, and the link through their ONID email. They may also log into the survey via MyOregonState or directly at <a href="https://beav.es/Student-Learning-Survey">https://beav.es/Student-Learning-Survey</a>. Survey results are extremely important and are used to help improve courses and the learning experience of future students. Responses are anonymous (unless a student chooses to "sign" their comments, agreeing to relinquish anonymity of written comments) and are not available to instructors until after grades have been posted. The results of scaled questions and signed comments go to both the instructor and their unit head/supervisor. Anonymous (unsigned) comments go to the instructor only.

The <u>Syllabus Minimum Requirements</u> page lists all required statements and also includes syllabus templates for on-campus, Baccalaureate Core, WIC, non-credit and Ecampus online or hybrid courses. If you have questions about the syllabus requirements, please contact the <u>Curriculum Coordinators</u> in Curriculum Management (formerly Academic Programs).

## 4. OSU Presidential Search Update

Much progress has been made since Search Advisory Chair Julie Manning's update to the Faculty Senate on February 10. Executive search firm Isaacson Miller (IM) has continued their recruitment efforts, guided by the presidential profile which was the result of a robust university-wide engagement period in January. The search advisory committee met in late February to discuss the qualities and qualifications for the president role as part of an exercise to develop a screening criteria matrix under the guidance of the search advocate, Interim Vice President and Chief Diversity Office Scott Vignos. The criteria matrix will help guide the IM team as they recruit and vet candidates, and the search advisory committee as they review applicants and evaluate candidates. The criteria matrix will also help to inform the committee's screening interview questions. The search advisory committee will meet with IM on March 9 for a preliminary look at the current candidate pool. Recruitment for the president position is ongoing and your nominations are welcome. Email nominations to presidentialsearch@oregonstate.edu. All nominations will be seriously considered. Visit the presidential search website for updates and resources.

## 5. Textbook Orders Required Prior to Registration

To comply with <u>House Bill 2919</u>, enacted by the 2021 Oregon Legislature, OSU and all other public colleges and universities are required to display a complete listing of required course materials and supplies and their associated costs on a campus bookstore's website **at the time of student registration**. Fall 2022 registration opens May 15, 2022. All faculty are now required to fully indicate

their course adoptions (or lack thereof) to the OSU Beaver Store by May 1, 2022, two weeks prior to student registration for the term. Faculty can begin making these indications on April 10, 2022.

#### 6. **Baccalaureate Core Reform**

The Baccalaureate Core Reform Committee has finished hosting roadshows. In total they met with 38 different groups including college leadership, colleges, students, campus affiliate groups, industry partners, and community colleges. The committee will now analyze the feedback and the use it to narrow down to a final model to present to the senate.

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

### 7. March 10 Faculty Senate Meeting - Agenda Topics

The March 10 Faculty Senate meeting is scheduled from 3-5PM in the LaSells Stewart Center Construction and Engineering Hall.

- Shared Governance Panel
- Action Items
  - o Curricular Proposals
    - <u>Mathematics Education Graduate Major (MA, MS, PhD)</u>: SUSPENDED –
       Deactivate Graduate Major Key #740
    - Science Education Graduate Major (MA, MS, PhD): SUSPENDED –
       Deactivate Graduate Major Key #7
- Gendered Language for Emerit Faculty
- Provost's Quarterly Report Provost Ed Feser
- Special Reports
  - o Board of Trustees Meeting Recap Inara Scott
  - Open and Sustainable Scholarly Communications Anne-Marie Deitering, Kerri Goergen-Doll

Faculty Senators may be found online by apportionment unit.

## 8. 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 small group sessions, which are scheduled for March 15 from 2:00-3:30, April 6 from 10:00-11:30 or May 4 from 2:00-3:30, please access the registration form at

https://oregonstate.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 8wbi3tzlsYtenge.

## 9. **COVID-19 Updates**

OSU continues to follow state and county guidance on COVID-19 safety. Mask mandates are scheduled to be lifted March 11. We are moving to an individual choice and responsibility model, where masks are welcome but not required. Please support faculty, staff, and students who want to continue wearing masks and maintain social distancing where possible.

Regular updates are posted on the COVID-19 Safety and Success Plan website <a href="https://covid.oregonstate.edu/">https://covid.oregonstate.edu/</a>, which includes a link to latest

information: https://covid.oregonstate.edu/latest-updates/covid-19-updates-boosters-isolation-and-other-important-information.

## 10. Faculty Awards Solicitation

The Faculty Recognition and Awards Committee is now accepting nominations for the below awards. Criteria and nomination forms regarding these awards are <u>online</u>; nominations will be accepted through Noon on March 30. <u>Guidelines</u> to assist those preparing nomination packets are available online. For further information, contact <u>Vickie Nunnemaker</u>.

- Richard M. Bressler Senior Faculty Teaching Award
- Faculty Innovator Award
- Industry Partnering Award
- International Service Award
- D. Curtis Mumford Faculty Service Award
- OSU Academic Advising Award
- OSU Alumni Association Distinguished Professor Award
- OSU Faculty Excellence in Online Teaching Award
- OSU Faculty Teaching Excellence Award
- OSU Impact Award for Outstanding Scholarship
- OSU Outreach and Engagement Award
- OSU Professional Faculty Excellence Award
- Outstanding Faculty Research Assistant Award
- Promising Scholar Award
- Dar Reese Excellence in Advising Award
- Elizabeth P. Ritchie Distinguished Professor Award
- Student Learning and Success Teamwork Award

## 11. Faculty Senate 2022 Meetings - Dates and Participation

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). This request must be made no later than the day prior to the Faculty Senate meeting – requests made the day of the meeting will be effective for the Faculty Senate meeting in the next month. Your OSU email will be subscribed to a listsery to receive Zoom instructions as well as the agenda for future Faculty Senate meetings.

Those wishing to attend Faculty Senate meetings are encouraged to participate in person in the LaSells Stewart Center Construction and Engineering Hall.

Faculty Senate meetings are open to the public.

#### 12. 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 <u>Senator membership list</u> or the <u>Committees & Councils site</u>.

#### 13. 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.

# 14. 2022 Faculty Senate Leadership

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

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