



**Faculty Senate  
Meeting Minutes**

**October 7, 2021  
WCCC – BB – 113B**

**Senators/Representatives participating:**

David Collins, Ben Reigel, Diana Bailey, Brian Parry, Johnny Snyder (proxy for Carlos Baldo), William Campbell, Michael Delaney, Ann Gillies, Eli Hall, Kristin Heumann, Adam Kluck, Kelly Krohn-Bevill, Kyle McQuade, Brad Montgomery-Anderson, Markus Reitenbach, Laureen Cantwell, Salina Edwards

**Senators/Representatives absent from participation:**

Tim Casey

**Guests:**

CMU President John Marshall, Dr. Amy Bronson –ST2 Advisory Team Jeremy Hawkins, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs for Student Success; Morgan Bridge – AVPAA of Assessment and Accreditation; Jenne Baldwin-Eaton, Faculty Success Committee; Scott Vangemeren, Sabbatical Committee; Peninah Feldman – CMU mace presentation; Zachary Frank Villimaria – CMU mace designer; Richard Livaccari – Physical & Environmental Sciences; Megan Sherbenou – Academic Policies Committee; Edith-Marie Roper – Languages, Literature & Mass Communication; Eric Elliott – Undergraduate Curriculum Committee; Christi Hein – WCCC Curriculum Committee; Gannon White – Faculty Success Committee

Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recordist

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY SIGN-IN**

President Collins called the meeting to order at 3:39pm.

Collins requested senators and guests present sign the circulating attendance roster.

Zoom attendees were noted by the minutes recordist.

**II. NEW BUSINESS, pt 1**

**A. COVID Adaptations, CMU President John Marshall and Dr. Amy Bronson**

Dr. Bronson provided the senate with a review of fall term adaptations to Covid-19 response on campus. Senator McQuade voice concerns about students not following campus safety procedures by attending class unmasked, attending class while symptomatic/not report symptoms in a timely fashion. Faculty was encouraged to request symptomatic students to remove themselves from the classroom. The Safety Team continues to push notifications to students and urges faculty to continually remind students of campus safety practices.

**III. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. WCCC Curriculum Committee Minutes, September 14, 2021**

**B. WCCC Curriculum Committee Minutes, September 29, 2021**

**C. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Minutes, September 23, 2021**

**Motion: to receive all items listed on the consent agenda.**

**(Bailey/seconded); motion carried**

**IV. APPROVE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 16, 2021**

**Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate minutes of September 16, 2021.**

**(McQuade/seconded); motion carried**

**V. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE**

**A.** Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Minutes, August 26, 2021

**Motion: to approve the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Minutes, August 26, 2021 (Parry/seconded); motion carried**

**B.** Sabbatical Leave Committee Annual Report 2020–2021

**Motion: to approve the Sabbatical Leave Committee Annual Report 2020–2021 (Reigel/seconded); motion carried**

**C.** Faculty Success Committee Minutes, April 23, 2021

**Motion: to approve the Faculty Success Committee Minutes, April 23, 2021 (Bailey /seconded); motion carried**

**VI. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A.** Investiture Marshall

Marshalls are needed for the ceremony to usher faculty members to their seats in Robinson Theatre. Please notify President Collins of your ability to serve as a marshall for the proceedings.

**B.** Survey Reminder

Senators were asked to remind their colleagues to complete the “Campus Climate” survey.

**VII. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

**A.** CMU Mace, Zachary Villamaria

Mr. Villamaria gave the senators a Power Point presentation on the design and hand manufacturing process of the new mace. Senators asked questions and were able to handle the mace and examine its detail work up close.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS, pt 2**

**A.** Sabbatical Leave Committee Composition

The committee in its current formation is not correctly constituted. As there is a November 7 deadline for submission of sabbatical requests, President Collins suggested Faculty Senate allow an exception for the existing committee body to operate as is in order to attend to the work at hand. Collins would like to update the rules guiding the composition of the Sabbatical Leave Committee. Currently membership requirements are not practical for campus departments to staff the committee. He would like to revisit this issue later in the semester.

**Motion: to suspend the constitutional membership rules of the Sabbatical Leave Committee in order that it may carry on its work.**

**(Parry/seconded); motion carried**

**B.** WCCC Curriculum Committee Minutes, September 29, 2021 - Expedited Processing

These minutes require an expedited vote in order to approve a new Associate of Applied Sciences degree prior to the CMU Board of Trustees meeting on October 22.

**Motion: to have an “e-vote” on these minutes in a week’s time.**

**(Reigel/seconded); motion carried**

**C.** Academic Renewal Policy for Certificates

Currently a student’s entire academic record impacts their ability to graduate with just a certificate.

**Motion: to issue a charge to the Academic Policies Committee to review its academic renewal policy as it pertains to certificates.**

**(Bailey/seconded); motion carried**

**D. Freedom of Speech Initiative**

There is a growing interest in faculty involvement of the education of the student population regarding freedom of speech. The library has been asked to assemble a panel discussion on this topic. The question is how the Faculty Senate oversees such an initiative.

**IX. REPORTS**

**A. CFAC Report, Brian Parry**

No Report.

**B. Vice President Report, Benjamin Reigel**

No Report.

**C. Student Government Report, Salina Edwards, ASG Vice President**

Vice President Edwards updated senators on student government activities. A full report is available on the R: drive in today's meeting folder. Topics covered:

- financial literacy for students
- free speech on campus
- Equity Committee
- Mental Health Committee
- Swipe Out Hunger initiative
- food insecurity
- Hunger Free and Healthy Minds designation
- FAFSA advocacy & preparation

**D. Executive Committee Report, Diana Bailey**

No Report.

**E. Faculty Trustee Report, Tim Casey**

Casey's report is available on the R: drive. See folder entitled "Documents for Meeting 10-07-2021."

**F. President's Report, David Collins**

In addition to his Faculty Senate duties, President Collins serves on the Calendar Committee. The next academic year calendar has been finalized. Please direct any input regarding the academic calendar to Collins.

**G. AVPAA Report, Jeremy Hawkins**

AVPAA Hawkins noted that incoming freshmen have their fall registration schedules built for them. Student Success & Engagement is conducting a November 2<sup>nd</sup> computer lab to assist freshmen with registering for spring term.

**X. ADJOURN**

**Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of October 7, 2021  
(Campbell/seconded); motion carried**

Meeting adjourned at 4:43pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recordist