

# Faculty Senate

2:30pm, Monday, September 20, 2021  
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## I. Call to Order

Faculty President Brian Boyd called the meeting to order at 2:30pm, and then turned the floor over to Parliamentarian Drew Beauchamp to call the roll.

Faculty President Boyd then opened the meeting by reading the following statement:

### Land Acknowledgement Statement

Wright State University and members of the Faculty formally acknowledge that we are located on the homelands of the Cession, Hopewell, Adena, Myaamia (Miami), and Shawnee peoples.

Our institution occupies the sacred ground of our indigenous peoples who experienced atrocities no human should endure. We acknowledge that these lands will forever hold the heartbeat of our first nations. We will strive to honor, respect and pay homage to the hopes, dreams and struggles these lands represent.

Through this land acknowledgement, and as members of the Wright State University community, we commit to educating ourselves and our greater community about the continued relationships between these lands and its Indigenous peoples.

## II. Approval of Minutes

[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Jul/meeting/Senate\\_Minutes\\_2021-04.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Jul/meeting/Senate_Minutes_2021-04.pdf)

Faculty President Boyd asked for unanimous consent to approve the minutes of the April 2021 meeting. No dissent was raised; the minutes were approved as written.

Draft minutes. Additional updates pending.

III. Report of the University President or Provost

[summary to be added pending review]

IV. Report of the Senate Executive Committee

A. Ohio Faculty Council (OFC)

1. Recent legislative proposals impacting higher education

a. Restriction of what/how k-12 and university faculty teach

<https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-documents?id=GA134-HB-322>

<https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-documents?id=GA134-HB-327>

b. Proposed bill to restrict vaccine mandates

<https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-248>

• OFC response

[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/Ohio%20Faculty%20Council%20HB%20248\\_Aug%202021%5B1%5D.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/Ohio%20Faculty%20Council%20HB%20248_Aug%202021%5B1%5D.pdf)

B. COVID

1. Format of future Faculty Senate meetings

[updates pending review of motions and discussion]

Senator Hall raised concerns regarding the continuation of online meetings and whether doing so was in violation of Robert's Rules and the Faculty Constitution. Faculty President Boyd indicated that the Senate previously approved a motion in December 2020 to continue in online meetings until the EC presents and the Senate approves updated protocols. The Senate reaffirmed in April 2021, via announcement from then Faculty President Luehrmann, to continue meeting online at the beginning of Fall 2021 due to the uncertainty surrounding COVID at the time. When they met in September 2021, the Executive Committee agreed to continue meeting in this fashion for the time being and will re-evaluate the situation on a monthly basis.

2. Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting with President Edwards summary

<https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/Executive%20Committee%20COVID%20Discussion%20Summary.pdf>

3. Resolution notice: The Faculty Office has been notified of an expected resolution to be added to an agenda addendum no later than Friday, September 17.

Draft minutes. Additional updates pending.

C. Faculty Senate and Senate Committees

1. AY2021-22 Faculty Senate roster  
<https://www.wright.edu/faculty-senate/about/2021-22-officers-and-members>
2. AY2021-22 Faculty Senate schedule  
Faculty Senate (2:30pm)  
Monday, September 20, 2021  
Monday, October 18, 2021  
Monday, November 15, 2021  
Monday, December 6, 2021  
  
Monday, January 24, 2022  
Monday, February 14, 2022  
Monday, March 28, 2022  
Monday, April 25, 2022
3. Senate Standing and Administrative Committee rosters  
[https://raidermailwright-my.sharepoint.com/:x/g/personal/facultyoffice\\_wright\\_edu/EeeKON0dVolOhhGrVSBtTyob9Cl5HJQYxNhiKQ\\_v\\_pvyTA?e=LxTnZi](https://raidermailwright-my.sharepoint.com/:x/g/personal/facultyoffice_wright_edu/EeeKON0dVolOhhGrVSBtTyob9Cl5HJQYxNhiKQ_v_pvyTA?e=LxTnZi)
4. Faculty Constitution Quadrennial Review Committee
5. Ad hoc committees  
<https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/2021-adhoc-committees.pdf>
  - a. WSU CORE Alignment and Review Committee
  - b. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI), and Social Justice

D. BoT Special Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics

Faculty representatives from the EC met with MRJ Advisors on August 18. MRJ has been contracted to help the Board of Trustees' Special Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics. MRJ plans to benchmark WSU athletics to other programs across the country. As part of their work, MRJ Advisors is meeting with a variety of stakeholders across campus, and this meeting provided them feedback from faculty regarding athletics at WSU. They also plan to work with Institutional Research to conduct a survey of students. The company's work will be completed by December 31.

(Executive Committee report items continue on next page)

Draft minutes. Additional updates pending.

E. Curricular deadlines  
(undergraduate deadlines shown, graduate deadlines expected to be similar)

Deadline for items to be approved by all required department and college approvers	UCC agenda distribution	UCC Meeting	UCC approvals completed	Faculty Senate Meeting
September 21	Wed September 22	September 29	October 2	Monday, October 18
October 19	Wed October 20	October 27	November 1	Monday, November 15 or Monday, December 6
November 23	Wed November 24	December 1	December 6	Monday, January 24, 2022
January 18	Wed January 19, 2022	January 26, 2022	January 31	Mon, February 14
<b>February 22</b>	Wed February 23	<b>March 9</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	March 14	Mon, March 28
March 29	Wed March 30	April 6	April 11	Mon, April 25
April 19	Wed April 20	April 27	April 29	

**\*\* IMPORTANT \*\***

(1) All new program proposals, those with 50% change, or another reason that requires Faculty Senate and Board of Trustees' approval must be approved by the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee no later than **March 9, 2022**.

**All proposals must be submitted to the UCC by April 19, 2022.** Any proposal that is not approved by the UCC by the end of the semester **will be purged** from the system and need to be restarted in Fall of the following year.

V. Old Business

A. Undergraduate Policy

1. Policy 3215 – Transfer Credit appeals  
[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/3215\\_TCR\\_Appeals\\_Process\\_Revision\\_2021-04-19.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/3215_TCR_Appeals_Process_Revision_2021-04-19.pdf)

Faculty President Boyd asked for unanimous consent to approve this item. No dissent was raised; the item was approved.

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## B. Graduate Policy

1. 5040 – Admission of Students with 3-year baccalaureate degrees  
[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/5040\\_2021-04.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/5040_2021-04.pdf)

Faculty President Boyd asked for unanimous consent to approve this item. No dissent was raised; the item was approved.

2. 5070 – International Students  
[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/5070\\_2021-04.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/5070_2021-04.pdf)

Faculty President Boyd asked for unanimous consent to approve this item. No dissent was raised; the item was approved.

3. 5120 – Graduate Assistants  
<https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/5120 - Graduate Assistants %28GAPC 2021-04%29.pdf>

A motion was made to return this item to committee to address confusion regarding the types of graduate assistants covered by the policy and conflicts with a new policy approved by the Provost over Summer 2021.

4. Graduate Faculty Membership Ongoing Re-evaluation Procedure updates  
[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/GAPC-RegFacMemStatus\\_Process%28GAPC-2021-04-14%29.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Apr/meeting/GAPC-RegFacMemStatus_Process%28GAPC-2021-04-14%29.pdf)

Faculty President Boyd asked for unanimous consent to approve this item. No dissent was raised; the item was approved.

## VI. New Business

There was no scheduled new business. A motion was made (Senators Stoker, Durr, and others) and approved via unanimous consent to move forward the item from the agenda addendum.

Resolution on COVID-19 Policies at Wright State University

[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/Senate\\_COVID\\_Resolution\\_2021-09.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/Senate_COVID_Resolution_2021-09.pdf)

A motion was made (Senators Hall and Durr) for an immediate vote overriding the need to present as new business. The motion was clarified that it was not calling for final approval. The motion was approved via unanimous consent.

After discussions, Senator Durr called the question. Faculty President Boyd asked for unanimous consent. Senator Hall made a motion to clarify what was being voted on. Faculty President Boyd indicated the vote was for approval of the resolution as presented on the agenda. After restating the call for unanimous consent, an objection was raised by Senator

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Sahin. Faculty President Boyd called on Parliamentarian Beauchamp to proceed with a roll call vote. The resolution was approved.

<b>Senator</b>	<b>Vote #1</b>
Akhbari	Yes
Bashir	Yes
Bennett	Yes
Corbett	
Durr	Yes
Evans	Yes
Ganapathy	Yes
Hall	Yes
Halling	Yes
Jaqueth	Yes
Jennings	
Jones	Yes
McGinley	Yes
McNutt	Yes
Medvedev	
Oroszi	Yes
Overman	Yes
Pedler	Yes
Raslich	
Rouhana	Yes
Sahin	No
Schumm	Yes
Stoker	Yes
Wischgoll	Yes
Wooley	Yes
Zhuang	Yes
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Faragher	
Boyd	

VII. Written Committee Reports and Minutes

VIII. Announcements

A. Employee Hardship Fund

<https://www.wright.edu/human-resources/benefits/employee-hardship-fund>

IX. Adjourn – Senator Hall made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by multiple Senators and the body adjourned by unanimous consent at 4:25pm.

# Faculty Senate

## AGENDA ADDENDUM

### I. Agenda Addendum

#### Faculty Constitution Article III Section 6.B

Items of business not reviewed by the Executive Committee may be added, with permission from the Faculty President, to an Agenda Addendum to be distributed by the Friday before each Senate meeting. Items of business on the Agenda Addendum may be brought before the Senate as New Business with a successful motion from the floor. Agenda Addendum items not brought forward may appear as New Business at the next Faculty Senate meeting pending Executive Committee approval.

### II. Resolution on COVID-19 Policies at Wright State University

[https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/Senate COVID Resolution 2021-09.pdf](https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2021/Sep/meeting/Senate_COVID_Resolution_2021-09.pdf)