

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 2, 2024

University Center 260 & Microsoft Teams

11:15am - 1:00pm

Attendees (**senators denoted in bold**): **Michael Lindsay, Kate Cotter-Reilly, Stacey Reynolds, Larry Menter, Adam Kubik, Erin Nagel, Erica Gannon, Vivian Padin-Irizarry, Samuel Maddox, Anthony Hannah,** Reza Kheirandish, James Pete, Jada Mitchell, Latrika Staples, Antoinette Miller, Eric Bridges, Nichelle Gause, Charlie Harris, Pinar Gurkas, Paul Melvin, Clint Edwards, Georj Lewis, JoJo Ardivini, Lindsay Chandler, Adam Tate, Ade Thompson, Adel Novin, Alexander Hall, Allie Reece, Aloysius Amin, Amirrah Beeks, Amy Black, Andrea Jacques, Angela Hollis, Anita Whiting, Anna King, Annette Crew-Gooden, Anthony Hannah, Antoinette France-Harris, Antwan Aiken, Arianne Adams, Ashlee Spearman, Ashley Washington, Barbara Hennie, Batavia Sumlin, Brian Hunt, Brianna Vick, Bridgette McDonald, Brigitte Byrd, Byron Jeff, Caitlin Harris, Cantice Greene, Carin Lightner-Laws, Carol White, Carolyn Walcott, Cassandra Parker, Catherine Matos, Ceimone Henderson-Strickland, Cephas Archie, Charles Henderson, Charlie Harris, Chen-Miao Lin, Chizara Jones, Christopher Kodani, Chyrel Lynn Panlilio, Comfort Obi, Connor Wright, Corlis Cummings, Corrie Fountain, Craig Hill, **Crystal Marchant,** David Gilbert, David Greenebaum, David Murray-Stoker, **David Pena, David Williams,** Deborah Davis, Deborah Deckner Davis, Denise Allen, **Dennis Miller,** Devon Ellis-Grant, Diane Day, Dmitriy Beznosko, Don Stansberry, Dwayne Hooks, Eckart Werther, Elicia Collins, Elizabeth Taylor, Elizabeth Tillman, Elliot Krop, Emanuel Abston, Emily Surber, Erica Dotson, Everett Sullivan, Feechi Hall, Frederick Bloom, George Nakos, Georj Lewis, Gwendolyn Harold, **Hae Ryong Chung,** Heather Eddy, Heather Hutton, Heidi Benford, Irene Ngonga, Jacob Chacko, Jada Mitchell, Jamal El-Amin, Jason Davis, Jason Guthrie, J. Celeste Walley-Jean, Jelinda Spotorno, Jennifer Harris, Jere Boudell, Jermaine Rolle, Jesse Zinn, Jillian Morgan, JoJo Ardivini-Brooker, Joe Johnson, Joey Helton, John Meyers, John Phelps, Joie Hain, Jonathan Harris, Jordon Steele, Joshua Clark, Joshua Meddaugh, Justin Spurley, Kamran Moghaddam, Kandice Fowlkes, Keith Driscoll, Keith Miller, Kelli Nipper, **Ken Nguyen, Kendolyn Smith,** Kenja McCray, Kevin Chaney, Kevin Demmitt, Khamis Bilbeisi, **Kimberly Campbell,** Kimberly Johnson, Kirill Sheynerman, Kitty Deering, Kristoffer Johnson, LaSonia Espino, Latasha Adams, Latonia Alexander, LaTrika Staples, Leah Pieper, Leon Prieto, Lindsay Chandler, Lisa Smiley, Lou Orchard, Louisa Catalano, Lucretia Portwine, Marcia Bouyea-Hamlet, Marcia Laurer, Margaret McAlister, Margaret Thompson, Mario Norman, Mark Daddona, Mark Watson, Marko Maunula, Mary Lamb, Mary Miller, Matthew Carter, Matthew Hutcherson, Matthew Sansbury, Matthew Smith, Matthieu Clave, Md Rokonuzzaman, Melanie Poudevigne, Meri Stegall, Mesa Davis, Michael Ryan, Michelle Furlong, Monay Sanders, Montrese Fuller, Muhammad Rahman, Naquilla Thomas, Narem Reddy, Nayab Hakim, Neena Smith-Bankhead, Nichelle Gause, Pamela Gordon, Patricia Smith, Patrick Coleman, Paul Melvin, Penelope Cliff, Rebecca Morgan, Reginald Porter, Richard Bell, Robert Vaughn Rosann O'Neill, Russell Wheeler, Sandra Pisen, Sanjay Lal, Sara Harwood, Scott Stegall, Sean Vogt, Shakil Akhtar, Shakyra Rivers, Shannon Cochran, Shannon Montgomery, Sharrell Porter, Sharren Thomas, Sheryne Southard, Shonetelle Thrash, Shuju Bai, Sonya Gaither, Stephanie Bennett-Walker, Stephanie Vasquez, **Stephen Burnett,** Stephen Klusza, Steven Anderson, Taralyn Keese, Tashira Jones, Terence Malloy, Terri Summers, Terry Appleberry, Thomas Cornwell, Thomas Garsombke, Thomas Lewis, Thomas McIlwain, Todd Janke, Tomas Merchan Rodriguez, Toye Wheeler, Tuni Acosta, Ursula Gordon, Victoria Foster, **Vivian Padin-Irizarry,** Xueyu Cheng

1. **Introduction of Senators**—in person then online
2. **Approval of Minutes**—Next meeting
3. **Remarks and Q&A, Dr. Georj Lewis, President**—Happy Finals Week! A few updates—no system wide updates. Just campus wide. 12/6 budget informational meeting with the College of Business and another 12/15 for business operations and student affairs in Harry S. Downs. Provost search—thank you all for participating and your feedback. We are in the vetting process right now. We had 4 candidates and we’re going through references and background checks. FERPA addendum training is due for us to be completed by Jan. 31 2025. There was an email this morning and a link included to do it. Spring enrollment is 11% up from this same time last year, however as your students are taking finals, please encourage them to register. We are ahead because we have done something intentionally, but we still need students to register. Lots of good news to share: 2 of the biggest days will occur this Friday and Saturday with commencement. Thank you to those of you participating. Discussed speakers. Men’s soccer team has made it to the elite 8 and they play this Saturday. Club football is in the national championship. They will play in Waynesburg, PA. Student affairs awarded 2 grants to handle food and housing insecurity for about 71k. Shontell Thrash congrats on the student performance of Crossover. Students of STEM won first and second place. Looking forward to the announcement of our SACS reconfirmations on the 7th.
4. **Remarks and Q&A, Dr. Joanne Ardovini–Brooker, Interim Provost**—Considering that we have students that have not returned to campus, please email them throughout the break that they are a Clayton student and to stay a Clayton student. Now is a time to celebrate not only students’ hard work, but yours. The preview days went well—thank you to those of you who participated. Very heartwarming stories from the families. Please reach out to Dr. Spearman if you are interested in participating in these days. Have faculty be part of the tours because faculty can talk your ear off about the programs. Will be meeting this week with the president of Operation Hope for scholarships for our students.
Last senate meeting. Thank you from all of us for all that you have done and stepping up for us here. This really is a great group to be part of. I hope you know I was doing what is best for the institution and the faculty. She is always here and available for whoever takes her place. We are too small of a community to not help each other and help students prosper.
5. **Jada Mitchell, to introduce Ms. Latrika Staples**—New director of Center of Advising and Retention. Part of the Center for Student Success. They are the unit that really drives persistence and retention. She started October 1st. They have been really working on registration for the spring. Our leaders will be coming more to the different colleges and departments to talk to you about the different initiatives that they have going on.
6. **Subcommittee Reports**
 - a. University Curriculum Committee
No report.

- b. Academic Policy Committee
No report.
 - c. Faculty Affairs Committee
No report.
 - d. Student Affairs Committee
No report.
7. **Senate Vote on UCC items**—Items were emailed out, about 10 courses that were approved in the UCC and need to be voted on here. Approved unanimously.
8. **Old Business?**—Announce that on 12/17 we are having a CSU family feud. The idea is to have 2 faculty and 2 staff teams. Want to encourage faculty members to sign up. Rodney Byrd sent an email out, but Michael will send out an email as well. Staff council has been doing this, but faculty has been invited to participate this time.

Adjourn—11:38am