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## University Senate Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2024

3:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Via Zoom

Attendance can be found at the bottom of the page.

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### **Call to Order:** 3:04 P.M.

- In Memoriam: Dr. Virginia Beavert; by Dr. Janne Underriner (Co-Founder and former director of the Northwest Indian Language Institute)
- Intro Remarks: Senate President Gerard Sandoval
  - Updates on senate leadership priorities:
    - Completed: Implementing Service Task Force recommendations
    - Complete: Rebuild UO’s relationship to Interinstitutional Faculty Senate (IFS)
    - In Progress: Post Affirmative Action Overreaction
    - In Progress: Faculty of Color Retention
  - S.A.D. (Significant Academic Disruption) task force will now be chaired by Senate VP Alison Schmitke.
  - The 2024 Senate and Committee service survey deadline has been extended until Friday, March 8, 2024. We recently send a letter to tenured faculty to encourage them to participate as we are currently seeing low response rates among this constituent group.
- ASUO Updates; Ravi Cullop
  - Working on preparing ASUO senate and recruitment for greater participation in UO Senate and its committees during the upcoming academic year.
  - Upcoming “Battle of the Bands” to decide which bands will be performing at Spring 2024 ASUO concert.

### **Approval of the Minutes:**

- [February 7, 2024](#)

Minutes stand as approved.

### **UO Pres Remarks:**

University President Karl Scholz

- Provost search: 2 candidates have visited. Third candidate is currently on campus. The 4<sup>th</sup> and final candidate will be here on March 7<sup>th</sup>. There are opportunities for campus employees to participate in Zoom conversations – for more information, please visit the Office of the Provost website.



- Belonging: college and university campuses are important venues for free speech and demonstrations, including those that “generate sometimes conflicting ideas...” and expose our community to diverse ideas and perspectives. While many institutions focus on simply “getting through” these events, this is in fact a missed opportunity to learn from each other and “see through the lens of our shared humanity.”
- However, these activities should not interfere with classes, block fire exits or sidewalks, etc. For more information on the parameters and protections for free speech and demonstrations on campus, please visit the General Counsel’s website at [generalcounsel.uoregon.edu](http://generalcounsel.uoregon.edu).

### **New Business:**

- Vote: US23/24-06: [Military and Federal Agency Deployment Accommodation Rights Policy](#); Sandy Weintraub (UO Senate Secretary), Maria Kalnbach (Coord Nantrad/Veteran Student Eng), LTC Joseph Snyder (UO ROTC/Military Science program)

**M/S/C – motion approved** with 33 yeses, 0 no’s, 0 abstentions.

- Intro: US23/24-08: [Student Registration Holds policy](#); Jesse Nelson (Asst Vice Provost for Advising and Access)

Brief introduction of the topic. Motion will be brought back to a future senate meeting for a vote.

- Intro: US23/24-07: [Academic Freedom and Freedom of Speech policy](#); Katy Krieger (Office of the Provost)

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- Update: Provost search; Senate Vice President Alison Schmitke

Each candidate meets with both senate leadership and the Academic Council – 2 points of contact during the search process. We have been sharing information about our structure of shared governance at the UO. We hope you all have been participating in the more public Zoom mtgs to get a sense of the candidates and what each might bring to the University should they be selected.

- Update: CoDAC resources for faculty; Dr. Charlotte Moats-Gallagher (Asst Vice President and CoDAC Director), Dr. Mike Murashige (Writing Consultant), Dr. Laura Bovilsky (Assoc Prof in English, CoDAC Faculty Associate)

Power point presentation ([slides](#)). Several reports/materials will be shared with senators via email after the meeting.

**Open Discussion:** None

**Reports:** None

**Notice of Motion:** None

**Other Business:** None

**Adjournment:** 5:03 P.M.



**Attendance:**

**Present:** Betina Lynn (Senate Executive Coordinator), Sandy Weintraub (Senate Secretary), Gerard Sandoval (Senate President), Alison Schmitke (Senate Vice President), Jiabin Wu, Ann Shaffer, Harinder Khalsa, Kathy Stroud, Emily Beck, Peng Lu, Frances White, Eleanor Vanderift, Jana Prikryl, Micah Warren, Erica Bornstein, Andiel Brown, Stephen Rust, Bob Choquette, Raoul Lievanos, Yoav Dubinsky, David Cosottile, Jay Butler, Mohamed Mounir, Nick Sloss, Anthony Hornof, Dyana Mason, Daniel Vo, Kate Mills, Jimmy Howard, Robin Clement, Bjorn Smars, Beth Harn, Pedro Garcia-Caro, Jane Cramer, Kikachi Akpakwu, Sara Mason, Taliek Lopez-Duboff, Ravi Cullop, Philip Speranza, Barbara Muraca, Melynda Casement, Carrie McCurdy, Melissa Bowers, Ali Emami.

**Excused:** Maria Soto.

**Absent:** Fisher Isenberg, Wonkak Kim, Barbara Mossberg, Peter Warnek, Lillian Duran, James Schombert, Kelli Matthews, Matthew Norton.

**Guests:** Robert Elliot, Janne Underriner, Charlotte Moats-Gallagher, Maria Kalnbach, Jesse Nelson, Chuck Kalnbach, Erik Ford, Allison Blade, Karl Scholz (University President), Jennie Leander, Grant Schoonover, Karen Ford, Ron Bramhall, Maggie Bosworth, Katy Krieger, Michael Murashige, A. Aneesh, Lara Bovilsky, Kassy Fisher.