



University Senate Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2021

3:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Zoom

Attendance can be found at the bottom of the page.

Call to Order: 3:03 P.M.

Land Acknowledgment; Spike Gildea

"The University of Oregon is located within the traditional homelands of the Southern Kalapuya. Following the Willamette Valley Treaty of 1855, Kalapuya people were forcibly removed to the Coast Reservation in Western Oregon. Today, descendants are citizens of the Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde Community of Oregon and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon."

Introductory Remarks; Elliot Berkman, Senate President

- Take a look at the new blog our one newly redesigned website: senate.uoregon.edu
- Faculty Trustee application process is heating up; we anticipate the deadline occurring in mid-March, ask Senate to vote on the endorsement at the April 7, 2021 meeting.
- Annual Senate & Committee Interest survey is opening soon. Please keep an eye out for it and encourage your colleagues to consider signing up for university service.
- Working to strengthen relationships between ASUO and UO Senate. Keep an eye out for an upcoming email on this topic.

COVID updates; Andre Le Duc

- Monitoring the recent uptick in cases following the winter break.
- Still operating under our capacities for isolation and quarantine.
- Vaccine:
 - We have started vaccinating our 1A group.
 - Still waiting to hear when Higher Ed will be queued up.
 - 6300 employees have filled out our vaccination pre-registration form. You will also see an email about a county list you can add your name to.
 - We will be involved in several vaccine clinics this weekend as we continue to work with local public health agencies to do what we can to contribute to this effort.
 - We will need as many volunteers as possible when it comes time to vaccinate the general public.

ASUO updates; Isaiah Boyd

- The legislative branch recently concluded its work on allocating the I-Fee, including a repurposing of this fee away from the athletic ticket lottery.



- Provide for basic needs: menstrual products in EMU, textbook subsidy program and lending library, two coordinator positions (food security), emergency housing subsidy program.
- Focus on how we can support students as higher education becomes increasingly expensive and inaccessible.

State of the University:

Provost Phillips

- Looking to gain national leadership and recognition in several fields. Become the number 1 destination institution for future cohorts.
- Would like to align our research and scholarly strengths.
- Reaffirm and reimagine our mission as a public institution in the State of Oregon.
- Look at how we can enhance our future financial standing.
- See recent email from the Provost for more info on the various initiative priorities.
- Offered our first courses in Data Science this term. We expect the program to grow quickly in the next few years.
- All our initiatives are donor funded to avoid pulling from our general funds budget.
- Several state legislative bills we are keeping our eye on, including claims that our transfer processes are inefficient and not meeting student needs.

Approval of the Minutes:

- January 13, 2021 – postponed until Feb 24, 2021 Senate meeting to make way for time sensitive matters.

New Business:

- Vote: [US20/201-04: Affirming Multi-Source, Criteria-Based Teaching Evaluation Framework](#); Continuous Improvement and Evaluation of Teaching Committee (Sierra Dawson, Lee Rumbarger, Bill Harbaugh, Austin Hocker)

Concern expressed that not enough time has been given to fully consider motion. Also, that this far-reaching change is being considered during pandemic conditions that might unduly influence folks' impressions and evaluations of the motion.

Vote postponed until a future meeting.

- Senate Anti-Racism Academy

Open Discussion:

- Tenure/Promotion Process; Gabe Paquette and Janet Woodruff-Borden



Reports: None

Notice of Motion:

- Senate bylaws revision to role of Immediate Past President

Other Business:

Adjournment: 5:03 P.M.

Attendance:

Present: Betina Lynn (Senate Executive Coordinator), Sandy Weintraub (Senate Parliamentarian), Zhuo Jing-Schmidt, Ian Winbrock (in for Theo Ko Thomopson), Jason Silveira, Michelle Wood, Gina Biancarosa, Kristy Bryant-Berg, Tina Ching, Tom Greenbowe, Bill Harbaugh, Randy Sullivan, Isaiah Boyd, Anthony Hornof, Jay Butler, Becky Girvan, Sylvan Lionni, Chris Phillips, Irisa Mehta, Leslie McLees, Suzie Stadelman, Renee Irvin, Elliot Berkman (Senate President), Ella Meloy, Josh Razink, Melissa Brunkan, Spike Gildea (Senate Vice President), Allan Malony, Aaron Gullickson, Frances White, Beth Harn, Don Daniels, Matthew Norton, Craig Kauffman, Edward Davis, Jen Reynolds, Jenna Travers, Kelly Sutherland, Chris Phillips, Nico Larco, Robin Clement, Samantha Hopkins, Stephanie Majewski, Stephanie Prentiss, Alejandro Vallega, Annika Mayne, Beth Harn, Colin Koopman, Gabriele Hayden, Gerard Sandoval, Autumn Shafer, Raul Patel

Excused: Hans Dreyer

Absent: Dan Tichenor, Ben Mier-Cruz, Jessica Cronce, Josh Skov, Sam Stroich

Guests: Kevin Marbury, Jesse Summers Angela Wilhelms, Joanna Mann, Sarah Strickler, Andre Le Duc, Gabe Paquette, Greg Stripp, Jennifer Winters, Kyle Henley, Lee Rumbarger, Ron Bramhall, Tim Inman, Sierra Dawson, Patrick Phillips, Janet Woodruff-Borden, Melissa Pena, Laurel Bastian, Albert Sheen, Scott Bridgham, Mike Schill, Chris Sinclair, David Cecil