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## University Senate Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2021

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:** 3:03 P.M.

### **Introductory Remarks:**

Spike Gildea, Senate President

- Continue working on actions called for in US19/20-18: Resolution Against Racism and Systemic Oppression:
  - Important to continue to recognize and understand the history of our privileges, maintain inclusive environments, advocate faculty appointments and structural supports (retention of faculty, staff, admins of color)
  - Plan to dedicate part of our meeting today to Rehearsals for Life and how our interactions impact folks in minoritized communities.
- Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Reception with President Schill – last chance to RSVP.

ASUO updates; ASUO VP Odalis Aguilar-Aguilar

- Students would like more info on COVID protocols moving throughout the rest of this academic year.

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

[October 6, 2021](#)

Minutes stand as approved.

### **State of the University**

Patrick Phillips, University Provost (wearing tie-dye)

- Great work University of Oregon. We are open, we are functioning, we are safe....!!! More than 96% of the campus community is vaccinated.
- No on campus COVID transmission (marching band members' cases likely not a result of band activities)
- We would like to amplify the work/partnership with the Senate, including your continuing commitment to diversity/inclusion/etc. Looking forward to even more rapid progress, particularly in classroom environments. Faculty have a responsibility to set their expectations in the classroom and we expect the Senate will be involved in this process in the coming months.
- We wholeheartedly support and would like to amplify the forthcoming university service motion (incidentally, we heard during week 2 from faculty women of color on this same issue and are pleased that the Senate is taking the initiative on this).



**New Business:**

- [US21/22-01: Creation of Task Force on University Service](#); Spike Gildea

Approved with one abstention.

- [Tentative] Elect member of Senate Budget Committee; Spike Gildea

Maram Epstein elected to 3 year term.

**Open Discussion:**

- Rehearsals for Life; Abigail Leeder and Team

Note: to facilitate this group exercise, the video recording was ceased for the remainder of the meeting time.

**Reports:** None

**Notice of Motion:**

- PSU Resolution: “Defending our Academic Freedom to Teach Race and Gender Justice and Critical Race Theory”

**Other Business:** None

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

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**Attendance:**

**Present:** Sandy Weintraub, Dan Tichenor, Betina Lynn, Kristy Bryant-Berg, N. Chris Phillips, Stephanie Prentiss, Bill Harbaugh, Matthew Norton, Frances White, Maxwell Ely, Maram Epstein, Casey Shoop, Jay Butler, Becky Girvan, Kenlei Cowell, Josh Razink, Elly Vandegrift, Edward Davis, Brandon Pinzon, Stephen Rust, Don Daniels, Zachary Holmes, Jenna Travers, Spike Gildea, Kelly Sutherland, Ben Clarke, Gabriele Hayden, Michelle Woods, Jessica Cronce, Anthony Hornof, Dare Baldwin, Allen Maloney, Anna Schmidt-MacKenzie, Gerard Sandoval, Gina Biancarosa, Hans Dreyer, Harinder Khalsa, Kavi Shrestha, Renee Irvin, Brad Garner, Mohsen Manesh, Zhuo Jing-Schmidt, Leslie McLees,

**Excused:** N/A

**Absent:** N/A

**Guests:** Richie Hunter, Jesse Summers, Ron Bramhall, Gabe Paquette, Patrick Phillips, Toby Koenigsburg, Janet Woodruff-Borden, Odalis Aguilar-Aguilar, Greg Stripp, Chuck Triplett, Sam Schwartz, Maggie Bosworth, Ron Bramhall, Kaushal Sapkota, Abigail Leeder, Bailee Magee, Sarada Thomas, Martha Benson, Aurora Godek, Chelsea X?, Kellum Tate-Jones, Sichao Jiang.