



University Senate Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2022

3:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Via Zoom

Attendance can be found at the bottom of the page.

Call to Order: 3:04 P.M.

- Land Acknowledgment; Kenlei Cowell
- Intro Remarks: Spike Gildea
 - Final Senate meeting of AY 2021-2022 will be held in person – as a primarily celebratory meeting, there will be a catered reception afterwards.
- Antiracism work – new Undergraduate Data Dashboard (by UO’s Academic Data Analytics group); Paulo Cobbe and Travis Shea
 - New dashboards provide demographic information for Undergraduate students and UO employees, including gender, race/ethnicity, residency, cohort type, etc.
 - <https://provost.uoregon.edu/analytics/dashboards>
 - <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds>
- ASUO Updates; Heather Barclay
 - Recent elections resulted in several run-offs, which are running currently. We should have final results this evening.

Approval of the Minutes:

- [March 9, 2022](#)

Minutes stand as approved.

State of the University:

President Michael Schill

- COVID
 - There is a feeling of cautious optimism for the future. With our highly vaccinated campus – we’re much more able to return to something approaching our normal operations.
 - Masks are welcome, but no longer required. We will continue to provide KN95 masks. We are going to remain ready, prepared, and able to adapt as necessary.
- Equity, Inclusion Diversity (call to the Senate to work on the following):
 - University Service – How can the university address service distribution and expectations from an equity standpoint? We know service loads fall more heavily



- on women and faculty of color. We know not everyone will agree on the solution, but we need a solution so we can begin addressing the disparities.
- Classroom teaching and inclusive excellence: we would like the Senate to undertake this discussion and ultimately be in a position to advise the administration on what an inclusive classroom experience should be for our students. How can we fulfill this goal? Ideally the UO Senate will provide guidance to folks - making everyone accountable for inclusion efforts on campus.
 - Next week: IDEAL climate survey for UO employees (will run through the end of April) – we hope this will set a baseline so we can look at it future years to determine if we are making actual improvements and what those improvements are. We encourage ALL faculty, staff and OAs to take this survey – as leaders on campus, we hope Senators will encourage your colleagues to complete the survey as well.
 - Ballmer Institute for Children’s Behavioral Health
 - We are working on the academic and operational aspects of this right now. Everyone asked to work on this project has said yes.
 - Randy Kamphaus is stepping down as Dean of the College of Education to lead the initiative for this new program.
 - We are finalizing the purchase of the former Concordia University campus in Portland - which will become Portland campus hub. Our goal is to open the new campus for classes beginning Fall 2023. Current areas of focus during the initial stages of this transition include: facilities, use of space, information technology, library resources, dining, health and safety, and many more.
 - We are looking closely at the potential of new campus to house new programs - especially those that enhance the diversity of our student body.
 - World Athletics Championships - Oregon 22:
 - This is the first time this event is being held in the U.S. and is anticipated to attract 3,000 members of international media and global television – global audience is projected to be over 1 billion people.
 - We hope this event will help to expand the reach of our reputation and increase international student enrollment.
 - The UO will hold a conference: “Women and Sports” – keep an eye out for the launch of a new website in the next few days.
 - Commencement 2022 important milestones this academic year: in person graduation for classes of 2021, 2022... ceremony at Autzen Stadium; June 2022...
 - UO Board of Trustees: Chuck Lillis, chair of the board since 2014, will be concluding his service in the coming months - new leader to be chosen from current Board membership.

New Business:



- Intro: [US21/22-17: Revisions to UO Committee on Courses](#); Frances White

Brief overview of proposed changes to membership. Motion will be brought back to a future Senate meeting for a vote. Check email for minor revision of quorum language.

- Vote: [US21/22-12: Updates to Graduate Council Charge](#); Leslie Straka, Chris Chavez

M/C – Motion approved with 34 yeses, 1 abstention.

- Vote: [US21/22-16: Minor Revisions to Bylaws of the University of Oregon Senate](#); Senate Rules Committee

M/S/C – Motion approved with 41 yeses, no abstentions.

- Vote: [US21/22-15: Revisions to the Undergraduate Council](#); Mike Price, Jagdeep Bala

M/S/C – Motion approved 39 yeses, 1 abstention.

- Intro: [US21/22-18: Clarifying Revisions to Bylaws of the University Senate](#); Senate Rules Committee

Brief overview of motion – will be brought back to the Senate at a future meeting for a vote.

Open Discussion: None

Reports: None

Notice of Motion: None

Other Business: None

Adjournment: 5:03 P.M.

Attendance:

Present: Sandy Weintraub (Parliamentarian), Rayne Vieger (in for Kate Thornhill), Betina Lynn (Senate Executive Coordinator), Stephanie Prentiss, Hans Dreyer, Maram Epstein, Harinder Khalsa, Becky Girvan, Frances White, Yoav Dubinsky, Ben Clarke, Josh Razink, Elly Vandegrift, Jay Butler, Jack Boss, Heather Barclay, Spike Gildea (Senate President), Kelly Sutherland, Stephen Rust, Edward Davis, Allen Malony, Raul Patel, Don Daniels, Dan Tichenor (Senate Vice President), Dante' James, Kristy Bryant-Berg, Mike Schill (UO President), Matthew Norton, Kavi Shrestha, Kenlei Cowell, Gina Binacarosa, Gerard Sandoval, Zhuo Jing-Schmidt, Jessica Cronce, Robin Clement, Renee Irvin, Dare Baldwin, Anthony Hornof, Autumn Shafer, Michelle Wood, Mohsen Manesh, Maxwell Ely, Leslie McLees, Ryan Light, Brad Garner, N. Chris Phillips.



Excused: Gabriele Hayden

Absent: Craig Kauffman, Bill Harbaugh, Nico Larco, Casey Shoop, Anna Schmidt-MacKenzie, Jenna Travers, Theodora Ko Thompson

Guests: Mike Price, Christopher Chavez, Jesse Summers, Sam Schwartz, Chuck Triplett, Jered Nagel, Richie Hunter, George Helbling, Janet Woodruff-Borden, Krista Chronister, Rachael Godlove, Ron Bramhall, Maggie Bosworth, Claire Matese, Kassy Fisher, Greg Stripp, Tim Inman, Paolo Cobbe, Sophia, Travis Shea, Carrie Toth, Jane Gordon, Jennifer Winters, Jered Nagel, Zack Barnett, Gabe Paquette.