

**West Virginia State University Faculty Senate
meeting of Friday, September 6, 2019, 1:30 pm, Hamblin Hall Auditorium**

draft agenda

announcements

Faculty Senate Executive Committee will continue to meet the last Friday of each month, 11:00 am, Hamblin Hall 002.

Is the membership and chairship of every Senate Standing Committee settled? How about representatives of Student Government? Staff Council? Are committee rosters available on the WVSU Senate web page?

Standing Committee chairs, please post the documents of your work (especially minutes of meetings, old and new) on-line in the folders in Google drive that Dr. Tom Kiddie set up. This will really help when accreditation comes around.

At its meeting of August 30, 2019, the Senate Executive Committee named as its top two priorities
1. communication / transparency around campus, and 2. enrollment, including recruitment and retention.

Recall that Dr. Underdue Murph agreed to talk with us about enrollment at each October meeting.

Talk to the Suggestion Box. See an email from Dr. Jessica Barnes Pietruszynski of March 1, 2019.

Welcome back, Dr. Byers.

President Jenkins

status of tuition waivers for dependents of employees

status of the search for a provost

structure and function of the Cultural Activities and Educational Assemblies Committee

Is the proposed new committee membership structure workable for all involved?

- 4 faculty, one elected from each college
- 6 faculty elected at large
- The Director of Campus Life
- 2 student members appointed by the Director of Student Life
- 4 student members, one appointed by each college dean
- The General Education Coordinator, *ex officio*

The rest of the language in the Senate By-Laws would be un-changed.

What monies will be made available to the committee, and who will handle it?

What approvals will be required subsequent to the committee's spending decisions?

What WVSU policy changes are on the horizon?

Provost Byers

What do you see as priorities for WVSU in AY 2019 - 2020?

When a faculty member takes on the role of dean, what is his/her status with respect to faculty governance? May he/she serve as a representative of faculty, elected or otherwise? To what other extra-faculty positions does this apply (ex., directors, coordinators)?

Do deans have veto power over the decisions of faculty of academic departments?

Standing Committee Reports for September

Advisory Council of Faculty Representative, Dr. Barbara Ladner

Board of Governors Representative, Dr. Frank Vaughan

General Education Committee Chair, Dr. Jeff Pietruszynski

Faculty Scholarship Committee Chair, Dr. Anne McConnell

today's business

1. At the May 3, 2019 meeting, the Senate voted (first reading) to change the By-Laws with respect to the membership of the Cultural Activities and Educational Assemblies Committee.

existing: Cultural Activities Program Coordinator, *ex officio*, non-voting member,
four (4) faculty members elected at large (one from each college)
six (6) faculty members elected at large from any college
four (4) students (one representing each college, appointed by the deans),
three (3) non-voting, advisory members from the Office of the Provost, Office of
University Relations and Operations, and the Chair of the General Education
Committee.

proposed: 4 faculty, one elected from each college
6 faculty elected at large
The Director of Campus Life
2 student members appointed by the Director of Student Life
4 student members, one appointed by each college dean
The General Education Coordinator, *ex officio*

2. The Executive Committee recommends changing the Senate By-Laws to add the Director of the Center for On-Line Learning to the membership of the Faculty Personnel Committee, *ex officio* (non-voting?).
3. At the May 3, 2019 meeting, Senate may have approved the creation of a new Senate Standing Committee, the Academic Instructional Technology Committee. The proposed wording was proposed by Dr. Mehdi Seyedmonir. We're not certain of the wording or the status of that proposal, as it happened at the very end of a long meeting. Probably like this one. In which month should the chair report to Senate? As the new committee starts, should the terms be staggered?
4. Faculty awards Dr. Micheal Fultz
5. What do you see as the priorities for the Senate (and Faculty in general) for this year?