

**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Faculty Senate  
November 17, 2020  
Zoom Meeting**

Senate Chair Alice Hall called the Faculty Senate Zoom meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. following the University Assembly meeting. Dr. Hall asked for approval of the Senate minutes from the meeting on October 27, 2020. The minutes were approved as written.

**Report of the Chairperson (Dr. Alice Hall):**

Dr. Hall invited Dr. Theresa Coble to inform the Faculty Senate about the Extra Compensation Taskforce. As chair of the Extra Compensation Taskforce, Dr. Coble reported that the taskforce has been meeting weekly since September. The taskforce is holding listening sessions for faculty who teach in the summer and/or receive extra compensation for non-ACP related instruction. Registration information will be provided by email. The listening sessions are scheduled as follows:

- Tenure Track or Tenured Faculty (TT): Dec. 4 @ 2:00-3:00; Dec. 7 @ 9:00 – 10:00
- Non-Tenure Track Faculty (NTT): Dec. 4 @ 10:00 – 11:00; Dec. 7 @ 4:00 – 5:00

For more information, contact Dr. Coble.

**Report of the Chancellor (Dr. Kristin Sobolik):**

Chancellor Sobolik had no additional information to report to the Faculty Senate.

**Intercampus Faculty Cabinet (IFC) Report (Dr. Jon McGinnis):**

Dr. McGinnis reported that the IFC met on November 6 and discussed the following topics:

- ASUM Survey: The members of IFC were briefed on a survey that was distributed to students on all four campuses by the Associated Students of University of Missouri (ASUM). The survey asked students about the issues that are important to them. The survey results showed that a major concern from students is the cost of their education and looking at ways it can be reduced. It was suggested that if faculty can use affordable books and open educational resources, students would really appreciate it. The survey indicated that there was also some displeasure with online learning, but the survey data wasn't broken down by each university.
- Updates from UM System President: President Choi reported that enrollments are down across the UM System. He talked about Chancellor Start-up packages that were intended to give more autonomy to the campuses (such as the funding for UMSL's Strategic Enrollment Plan discussed earlier by the Chancellor). President Choi announced that he would be distributing the Council of Chancellors' Report and the Administrative Efficiencies Report to all of the campuses.
- ELearning: The IFC discussed some questions about the criteria for online certification. The certification emphasis will be on online pedagogical techniques rather than course design.

### **Curriculum and Instruction Committee Report (Mr. Michael Allison):**

Dr. Hall asked the Faculty Senate to vote on the following uncomplicated curriculum proposals:

- Change to the B.A. in Chemistry
- Change to the B.S. in Chemistry.
- Change to the minor in Chemistry
- Change to the undergraduate certificate in Internet and Web
- Change to the B.A. in Philosophy
- Deletion of the undergraduate certificate in Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Deletion of the B.A. in Theatre Arts
- Deletion of the minor in Theatre Arts
- Deletion of the minor in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages K-12
- Deletion of the graduate certificate in Early Childhood Teaching

**The Faculty Senate approved all of the above uncomplicated proposals.**

Mr. Allison presented each of the following curriculum proposals to the Faculty Senate:

- Proposal for the Academic Calendar 2022-2023 (Mr. Allison explained that for the first time, a fall break was added to the academic calendar on the Thursday and Friday of the 9<sup>th</sup> week of classes. This change would mean one less class in the fall semester beginning in 2022-2023.)
- Addition of the Biochemistry emphasis area of the B.A. in Chemistry
- Change to the undergraduate certificate in Cybersecurity
- Change to the B.A. in Organizational Leadership
- Change to the minor in Gerontology
- Change to the Marketing emphasis area of the B.S. in Business Administration

**The Faculty Senate approved all of the above proposals.**

Dr. Hall asked if there was any other business. Hearing none, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erika Gibb  
Senate/Assembly Secretary

(Minutes written by Loyola Harvey, Faculty Senate/University Assembly Office)