

**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
University of Missouri-St. Louis  
Faculty Senate  
November 18, 2025  
MSC Century Rooms A&B**

Senate Chair Erika Gibb called the Faculty Senate meeting to order at 4:00 p.m., following the University Assembly meeting and a short break. Dr. Gibb asked for approval of the Senate minutes from the meeting on October 28, 2025. The minutes were approved as written.

**Report of the Chairperson (Dr. Erika Gibb):**

- Dr. Gibb reminded Senators that the Senate Snapshot will be e-mailed to them the Fridays after each Senate meeting. She asked them to please share the Snapshot with their colleagues to keep them informed of what is happening in the Senate.

**Provost Steve Berberich Reported the following:**

- Commencement is scheduled for December 20, 2025. He reminded faculty that grades are due by December 23 and urged everyone to submit them promptly so the Registrar and support staff can enjoy their holiday.

**Intercampus Faculty Cabinet (IFC) Report (Dr. John Meriac):**

The IFC met in Columbia on November 17, 2025. The meeting included the following:

- Academic Calendar
  - Semester Start Date – proposal that start of Fall classes will always be the third Monday of August.
  - Minimum Class Sessions – flexibility on minimum class sessions each semester.
- Digital Accessibility
  - CRR changes – UM System already has a digital accessibility policy, the change to the CRR is that our language will indicate that our system CRRs will reflect changes to federal law so that we are compliant.
  - Libraries and Digital Accessibility – system and campus libraries provided updates on digital accessibility and library materials/journal articles.

**Curriculum and Instruction Committee Report (Dr. Ho Kim):**

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

- MUSIC-MI: Minor in Music
- ECON-BA: BA in Economics
- ECON-BS: BS in Economics
- GIS - UC: Geographic Information Systems, Undergraduate Certificate
- POLSCI-MI5: Public and Nonprofit Administration Minor

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

Dr. Kim presented each of the following curriculum proposals to the Faculty Senate:

- ECON-DD: BS MA Dual Degree Program in Economics
- POLSCI-DD: BA MA 2+3 in Political Science

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

Dr. Gibb asked if there was any other business for the Faculty Senate. Hearing none, Dr. Gibb adjourned the meeting at 4:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Meriac  
Senate/Assembly Secretary

(Minutes written by Allison Belew, Faculty Senate/University Assembly Office)