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**Executive Committee of the Academic Senate  
(ECAS)**

ACADEMIC SENATE  
UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON  
2024-2025

**MEETING MINUTES**

FRIDAY, September 20, 2024  
10-11:30 AM, SM 113B

**President:** Erin O'Mara Kunz

**Vice President:** Jackie Arnold

**Secretary:** Kayla Harris

**Members:** Jackie Arnold, Ali Carr-Chellman, Garrett Conti, Jen Dalton, Deo Eustace, Jon Fulkerson, Kayla Harris, Suki Kwon, Erin O'Mara Kunz, Chelse Prather, Joel Pruce (Faculty Board), Andrea Seielstad, Rachel Yeager, Darlene Weaver

**Present:** Jackie Arnold (via zoom), Ali Carr-Chellman, Garrett Conti, Jen Dalton, Deo Eustace, Jon Fulkerson, Kayla Harris, Suki Kwon, Erin O'Mara Kunz, Chelse Prather (via zoom), Joel Pruce (Faculty Board), Andrea Seielstad, Rachel Yeager, Darlene Weaver

**Absent:** None

**Opening**

- Call to Order (E. Kunz)
- Opening prayer/meditation (D. Eustace) [\[Prayer/meditation sign up here\]](#)
- **VOTE:** approval of [minutes from September 13, 2024 meeting](#)
  - *Approved by unanimous consent*

**Announcements**

- September 23, 2024: ELC, President's Suite (KU), 10:30am-12pm
- September 19, 2024: Drop in coffee hour with Eric, Darlene, and Andy, 7:45-9am, location Torch Lounge
- September 24, 2024: Town Hall Follow-up meeting to Sept. 6th Fac/staff meeting, zoom, 3pm
- September 27, 2024: Academic Senate Meeting, KU Ballroom, 3:30-5:30pm
- October 15, 2024: Board of Trustees Installation Ceremony, Science Center Auditorium, 5pm
- October 15, 2024: Board of Trustees Installation Dinner, Curran Place, 6pm

**Agenda Items**

- **DISCUSSION AND VOTE:** September Academic Senate Meeting [Agenda](#)
  - Q: Does the draft agenda reflect what is currently on people's mind?
    - A: Some of the issues can be discussed as part of the FAC report
  - Comment: The Senate meeting should allow space for senators to engage and discuss about consultation with budget priorities when there are financial issues

- Comment: The subcommittees are doing some of the deeper-dives into the particular issues, and maybe there should be more room/space for the subcommittees to discuss the issues they are working on with the wider Senate
- Erin will put together a few slides with prompts when presenting the Senate priorities
- Part of the reason the Senate Agenda was structured this way is due to the fact that Darlene will only be able to attend virtually, and that it takes time to select the topics, confirm with speakers and put together an agenda that can be approved and shared within the required timeline in advance of the actual meeting.
- Comment: The October Senate meeting would be a good time to have more of these conversations since everyone will have had time to attend the faculty/staff meetings, attend the open sessions with Eric, Andy and Darlene, and reflect.
- *Motion to approve the Senate Agenda for September 27* (A. Seielstad, A. Carr-Chellman second)
  - Vote: 11 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstain
  - *Motion passed*
- **DISCUSSION AND VOTE:** Working Group Charge
  - BPM Working Group: [Charge to revise and update DOC 2010-01](#)
    - Suggestion to change language to include the School of Law which was incorporated. Erin will talk to Vicki to find a representative
    - *Motion to approve* (A. Seielstad , A. Carr-Chellman second)
      - Vote: 11 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstain
      - *Motion passed*
- **DISCUSSION:** Conflict of Interest, Conflict of Commitment and Outside Work in relation to FAC charge
  - Q: Isn't the Senate's authority on this consultative?
    - Response: Some believe this should be concurrent authority
  - Comment: The training that was issued seems to be different than the policy
  - All policies, (Senate or others) go through the University Policies Coordinating Committee (UPCC) and the final step is to go to the President to sign or return to address issues.
  - Comment: There seems to be some confusion around disclosure versus permission.
  - Comment: This is not really a change in policy, just clarifying when we need to disclose or not disclose something
  - The charge to FAC is to revise DOC 2018-07 based on the updated Outside Activities and Conflict of Interest and Commitment Policy.
  - Q: Isn't this policy effectively the one that ECAS saw in the Spring?
    - A: Yes, we did not see the final version but we had them at a meeting in the spring to discuss this and provide consultation. Now that the policy is final, it is useful for us to go through it and see if there are places where the legal and faculty perspectives don't align and note those in an update to DOC 2018-07.

- Comment: Maybe the training that was shared campus wide should be stopped or paused for faculty.
  - The lack of an annual standardized process to for disclosure leads to a loss of revenue from the University and faculty potentially lose money if they are asking for permission for things they don't need to ask for permission and have been told no. A lack of clarity exposes to the University to risk and fraud, even if inadvertently.
- Comment: Suggestion that it be noted somewhere, through a resolution or something to assert authority from the Senate
- The policy updated replaces 5 policies that are named, but none of these are Senate documents.
  - Comment: Can we ask them to make a note that explicitly says that the Senate document is not overridden? Erin will email Candise Powell to request this.

Motion to adjourn (J. Fulkerson, J. Arnold second)

- Passed with unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned 11:30 am

Respectfully submitted by Kayla Harris, Secretary to the Academic Senate.