

WFU Faculty Senate Agenda – Jan 15, 2025

Call to Order – 4:00p

1. Approval of November 2024 meeting minutes

2. Announcements

- Welcome new Senators:

- Rodrigo Castro, Z. Smith Reynolds Library
- Mahta Mirzaei McKee, School of Medicine, Radiation Oncology
- Kiran K Solingapuram Sai, School of Medicine, Radiology

3. Old business

- Website updates: photos forthcoming

4. Current business

- Upcoming Elections for 2025-2026 Senate Officers

- Ad Hoc nominations committee chair: Ellen Kirkman
- Elections will be held in March to start April 1, 2025
- See attached list of Faculty Senators and service terms
- reminder: upcoming Senate elections within units

- Report outs from those serving as representatives on various University committees

- Search for new Dean of ZSR Library – Amanda Kaufman

- Standing Committee Reports

- Athletics: John Sumanth, Chair
- Fringe Benefits: Ellen Kirkman, Chair
- Academic Freedom and Responsibility: Sarah Morath, Chair
- College Senators: Jason Parsley, Chair
- Medical School Senators: Michael Cartwright, Chair
- Salaries: Katherine Shaner, Chair
- Integration: Amanda Kaufman, Chair
- Capital Planning: Lauren Reid, Chair

- Senate President and Executive Committee Report:

- review of meeting on Jan 8, 2025
 - Considering Senate size: how to determine the appropriate number of Senators by unit.
 - Peer Institution Project: considering similarity and dis-similarity using endowment/student.

5. New Business

- Adjourn – by 5:30p

End notes

Executive Committee Membership:

- Saylor Breckenridge (College/Sociology) - President
- Steve Virgil (Law) - Vice President
- Ryan Shirey (College/English/Writing Program) - Secretary
- Angie Edwards (Medicine) - Member-at-large
- Raja Chatterjee (Medicine) – Past President
- Mike Cartwright (Medicine) – Chair, Medical School Senators
- Amanda Kaufman (Library) – Chair, University Integration
- Ellen Kirkman (College/Mathematics) – Chair, Fringe Benefits
- Sarah Morath (Law) – Chair, Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility (CAFR)
- Jason Parsley (College/Mathematics) - Chair, College Senators
- Lauren Reid (Business) - Chair, Capital Planning
- Katherine Shaner (Divinity) - Chair, Salaries
- Michelle Steward (Business) – Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on the Faculty Handbook
- John Sumanth (Business) - Chair, Athletics