

WFU Faculty Senate Agenda – August 26, 2026
Farrell Hall, Room A48

Call to Order – 4:00p

1. [Approval of April 15, 2026 meeting minutes](#)

2. Announcements

- a. Senate Ad Hoc Committee on AI (Virgil)
- b. [Meeting schedule](#) for 2026-2027 (Shaner)

3. Old business

4. Current business

- a. Update on Provost Search (O’Connell)
- b. Standing Committee reports.
 - i. Fringe Benefits (Kirkman)
 - ii. Athletics (Parsley)
 - iii. Capital Planning (Castro)
 - iv. College Senators (O’Connell)
 - v. Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility (Morath)
 - vi. Medical School (Cartwright)
 - vii. Salaries (Evans)
 - viii. University Integration (OPEN)
- c. Proposed Resolution (Breckenridge)
- d. Proposed Senate Policy on Honorary Degrees (Virgil)
- e. Senate President Report (Virgil)

5. New Business

- a. Legislative Update - issues impacting higher education
- b. Admissions Update - Eric Maguire, VP

Adjourn – by 5:30p

End notes

Executive Committee Membership:

President: Steve Virgil (Law)
Vice President: Kendall Tarte (College/French Studies)
Secretary: Katherine Shaner (Divinity)
Member-at-large: Mahta McKeeBret Nicks (Medicine)
Past President: Saylor Breckenridge (College/Sociology): Past President
Chair, College Senators: Monique O'Connell (College/History)
Chair, Fringe Benefits: Ellen Kirkman (College/Mathematics)
Chair, Capital Planning: Rodrigo Castro (Library)
Chair, Compensation: Mark Evans (Business)
Chair, Athletics: Jason Parsley (College/Mathematics)
Chair, Medical School Senators: Michael Cartwright (Medicine)
Chair, Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility: Sarah Morath (Law)

Future Spring Meeting (Farrell Hall Room A48 @ 4:00

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