



Faculty Senate Meeting

Minutes: Oct 2, 2024

Southeastern Louisiana University Alumni Welcome Center

I. Call to Order

Sen. Craft 3:31pm

II. Guest Speakers

A. Alison Pellegrin, Instructor of English

1. Louisiana Poet Laureate - 2 year gubernatorial appointment
2. Academy of American Poets Fellow - Lifelines Poetry Project. Visits prisons within the state to work with the people incarcerated to write poetry.
3. Common Read Student Honorees - All students read the work of the Common Author. This year's is Talia Lakshmi Kolluri. March 10th - Reginald Dwayne Betts will be on campus. Both will attend a prison workshop.

B. Southeastern's Lavender Lions (Sen. Settembrino)

Lavender Lions (previously the LGBTQ student group) initiatives include preferred name program so students can be recognized by their names; gender inclusive housing; transgender day of remembrance; Lavender graduation Rosie - student rep & a founding member. Shared how students are building community and a sense of inclusivity and safety through gender inclusive housing.

III. Roll Call

Absent senators: Alford, Dardis, Frederick, Horzelski

IV. Approval of the Minutes from the September 18, 2024 Faculty Senate meeting

Date of the next meeting changed on draft.

Motion to approve, seconded, unanimously approved with change unanimously

V. Old Business

None

VI. New Business

A. Committee Assignments (Sen. Cannon & Sen. Cicale)

- B. Modification of Bylaws, re: representation on university standing committees (Sen. Cannon)

Faculty Senate has purview over 3 committees, by-laws say number of committee members for each committee is based on a specific number for each college and additional members based on number of faculty members in the college. Each committee then states how many total members are on each committee. Problem occurs if numbers exceed the total committee member.

Suggestions - go with formula, go with total, get rid of total committee member number.

Motion to assign to Constitution & Bylaws committee

VII. Announcements

A. Robert's Rules of Order Announcement (Sen. Schillage-Truxillo)

Reviewed the Roberts Rules of Order Simplified

B. Report from SGA Liaison

Sept 23rd discussed university calendar - want to extend the withdrawal deadline; want to extend the add/drop deadline

Sept 30th discussed homecoming; travel grants

C. Solicitation of Future Guest Speakers and Student Honorees (Sen. Craft)

Dr. Wainwright will be November speaker

Schedule for future presentationSGA President - Kyle Hidalgo

D. Faculty Senate Meeting Dates and Guest Speakers for Fall 2024 semester (Sen. Craft)

Alumni Center - November 6th

VII. Adjournment

October 2nd 4:25pm, unanimously approved

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary