# Williston State College Faculty Senate Minutes - PENDING September 19th 8:30am, Stevens Hall 114

### **Chair/President:**

Katie Renville

### **Members:**

Jessalyn Obenchain
Amanda Davis
Hunter Erickson - Teams
Keri Fedler
Kari Lesmeister
Logan Rutledge
Richard Stenberg
Susan Zimmerman
Staff Rep - Carol Campbell
Student Rep - Neil Person - absent

- 1) Call Meeting to Order by Katie Renville at 8:31AM
- 2) Minutes from August 2025 Richard Stenberg moved to approve the August minutes, Kari Lesmeister 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor, minutes approved.

## 3) Old Business

- a. Senate Bylaws At the last meeting we discussed changing the senate by-laws to include two representatives from each division (Arts and Sciences, Business and Trades, and Nursing and Allied Health), with maximum of four for one representative for every four faculty members. Amanda Davis moved to approve the new senate by-laws, Suzan Zimmerman 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor, motion passed.
- b. Executive Cabinet Rep for Fall 25 Dr. Hirning will attend the October senate meeting to discuss cabinet. Gail Raasakka will attend in faculty place until then.

### 4) New Business:

- a. 605.12 Academic Freedom and Tenure: Academic Appointments Policy This is another policy that needed to be updated to match the previous WSC tenure policy that was updated regarding tenure and the review process from the legislature.

  Amanda Davis motioned to table updates to this policy until the rank and tenure procedure has been updated, Susan Zimmerman 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor, motion passed.
- b. Policy 605.42 Hearings and Appeals Policy A couple wording additions and grammatical edits were made to this policy. Richard Stenberg moved to approve with the changes noted in the policy, Amanda Davis 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor, motion passed.

#### 5) Other Business

- 6) Next Meeting: October 17<sup>th</sup> 8:30am
- 7) Adjournment by Katie Renville at 9:22AM