

Williston State College Faculty Senate Minutes - Approved
April 15th, 2025
3:00PM, Stevens Hall 114

President:

Katie Renville

Members:

Richard Stenberg

Matt Peterson

Wanda Meyer

Keri Fedler - Absent

Gail Raasakka - Teams

Hunter Erickson - Teams

Jessalyn Bachler

Susan Zimmerman

Staff Rep- Carol Campbell - Absent

Student Rep - Neil Person – Absent

Guest - Logan Rutledge (Senator next year)

1) Call Meeting to Order – by Katie Renville at 3:00PM

2) Minutes from March – Richard Stenberg moved to approve the minutes, Gail Raasakka 2nd. All in favor, minutes approved.

3) Old Business

- a. AI Plagiarism Policy - Student Code of Conduct – *A paragraph regarding AI use in classes was added to the Student Code of Conduct. Matt Peterson moved to approve the addition, Susan Zimmerman 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.*
- b. AI Policy for Syllabus – *An AI Policy statement was created to add to our syllabi regarding AI use in classes, referring back to the newly created addition to the Student Code of Conduct. Susan Zimmerman made a motion to add the statement to our syllabi, Wanda Meyer 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.*
- c. Tenure/Faculty Evals 605.1 policy potential changes discussion – *WSC Policy follows the newly created legislation regarding rank and tenure review fairly close. The only change that would need to be made to WSC Policy to follow the new bill would be who the Faculty Rank/Tenure Committee is made up of (new bill says that it cannot be more than 50% faculty). To ensure we will follow the new legislation (if Governor signs), we will change our current policy to now have 3 administrators and 3 tenured faculty members from different departments. Richard Stenberg moved to approve this change on the contingency IF the Governor does sign the new bill, Gail Raasakka 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.*
- d. 701.42 update with Lab Adjunct Pay – *Susan Zimmerman moved to approve the change to the adjunct pay policy regarding on-campus labs/activity-based*

instructors to be paid by contact hours, not credit hours, Wanda Meyer 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.

4) New Business:

1. Faculty Senate Reps – *Logan Rutledge will be the new Arts and Humanities representative and Amanda Davis will be the new Math and Science representative for next year.*
2. Officer Nominations and Selection – *Jessalyn Bachler nominated Katie Renville for President of Faculty Senate. Richard Stenberg moved to cease nominations for President and cast unanimous vote, Susan Zimmerman 2nd. All in favor, Katie Renville will be Faculty Senate President for 2025-2026. Richard Stenberg nominated Gail Raasakka for Vice President, along with casting unanimous vote, Susan Zimmerman 2nd. All in favor, Gail Raasakka will be Faculty Senate Vice President for 2025-2026. Susan Zimmerman nominated Jessalyn Bachler for Reporter, along with casting unanimous vote, Richard Stenberg 2nd. All in favor, Jessalyn Bachler will be Faculty Senate Reporter for 2025-2026.*
3. Executive Cabinet Next Week Tues 9-11 and Summer – *Katie Renville will send an email to faculty to see if anyone can attend Cabinet next week. Katie Renville and Gail Raasakka will attend Cabinet over summer.*
4. Policy review
 - a. 804.01 – *Wanda Meyer moved to approve the policy, Susan Zimmerman 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.*
 - b. 804.11 - *Wanda Meyer moved to approve the policy, Matt Peterson 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.*
 - c. 804.14 – *Richard Stenberg moved to approve the policy, Gail Raasakka 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.*
 - d. 807.14 – *Wanda Meyer moved to approve the policy, Richard Stenberg 2nd. All in favor, motion passed.*

5) Other Business

- a. *Faculty In-Service is proposed to be August 28/29 with a schedule to come.*

6) Next Meeting: *Tentatively if needed - May 6, 2025 @ 3PM*

7) Adjournment – *by Katie Renville at 3:57PM*