

Purdue University Senate News

Message from the Senate Past-Chair, Natalie Carroll:

Welcome to the 6th Purdue University Senate Newsletter AY 19-20! We provide this update to inform you of what we are working on and who to contact if you would like to comment on items or issues we are studying in committee.
March 23, 2020

The University Senate met online due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

Senate Chair's Remarks:

Professor Cheryl Cooky, Chair of the University Senate reported:

- Expressed gratitude for all efforts to put courses online and your willingness to use new technology means to meet and teach.
- She also discussed the importance of self-care and coping with isolation.
- She acknowledged the challenges for our students and ourselves of the COVID-19 pandemic.

And, Chair Cooky reminded us that we are in this together and together we will get through it.

Purdue President's Remarks:

President Mitch Daniels shared the state's *Stay at Home* directive, with exceptions such as PU, and Purdue's response. Info:

- Fewer than 1,000 undergrads are on campus
- Almost every research lab is continuing. We hope this can continue.
- Alternatives to graduation will be shared soon.
- No decision about summer yet.
- Purdue has some financial cushion that will be used as needed during the crisis.
- Shared the following slide:

COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE

Campus Communication

- Official University FAQ
 - URL: Purdue.university/covid-19
 - Updated daily.
 - If your question isn't there, we likely don't have an answer yet.

- New Call Center: (765) 496-INFO
 - Staffed with knowledgeable Purdue employees



*** March Senate Meeting ***

(SD xx-yy-Senate Document AY-item)

Documents for Action – Passed

- Nominees for Vice-Chair of the Senate (SD 19-20)
- Proposed Changes to the Foundational Outcomes Language of the UCC (SD 19-13)
- Grief Absence Policy Revisions (SD 19-14)
- Food Insecurity and Grocery Store Res. (SD 19-19)
- Anti-Asian and anti-Asian American bigotry statement (SD 19-21)

Documents for Discussion

- Degree Requirement for Civics Literacy (SD 19-17)
- Revised Academic Progress and Records Committee Charge (SD 19-15)
- Mental Health Statement – Univ. Senate Res. (SD 19-18)
- SAT and ACT and Undergrad Admissions (SD 19-16)

For Information

There were no general information presentations at this University Senate Meeting.

The newly elected Vice-Chair (advancing to Chair, AY 21-22) is Professor Steve Beaudoin, Chemical Eng.

See the Senate website (www.purdue.edu/senate/) for details on any of these items. Full meeting minutes are generally posted 2-3 weeks after the Senate meeting.

University Senate Standing and Faculty Committees

See page 2 (reverse) for chairs of Standing (Senators only) and Faculty Committees.

Issues that the Standing Committees are working on are also listed.

University Senate website

www.purdue.edu/senate/

The next meeting of the University Senate is scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2020 at 2:30pm.

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Standing Committees

Educational Policy Committee, Andrew Freed,
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- With Academic Progress and Records Faculty Committee:
 - Recommendations on student regulations: degree requirements, transfer credits, night classes, priority registration, and gender-neutral wording

Equity and Diversity Committee, Audrey Ruple,
aruple@purdue.edu

- Diversity statement requirement for new faculty hires – education / training
- Faculty and staff diversity and inclusion continuing education recommendation
- Food security on campus
- Graduate student housing
- Lactation spaces for students and staff
- Sanitary products in campus buildings
- STEM Equity Achievement (SEA) Change Program
- Working on an Anti-Asian bigotry statement

Faculty Affairs Committee, Linda Prokopy,
lprokopy@purdue.edu

- COACHE survey
- Health care concerns
- Pay equity
- Travel policies
- Working with Faculty Committees on various issues:
 - Censure and Dismissal
 - Faculty Compensation and Benefits
 - University Grade Appeals
 - Election Procedures Inquiry Commission

Nominating Committee, Fredrick Berry,
berrfy@purdue.edu

Steering Committee, Deborah Nichols
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- Concerns and issues for possible University Senate consideration should be sent to the Chair.

Student Affairs Committee, David Sanders,
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- Class absence policies
- Food insecurity
- Housing
- Mental Health
- Monitoring experiences of student athletes

Standing Committees (cont.)

University Resource Policy Committee, Randy Rapp,
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- Art acquisition and collection policy
- Campus sustainability
- Role of URPC with respect to Physical Facilities

Faculty Committees

Members are any tenured/tenure-track, clinical & prof. faculty who volunteer (call for volunteers every January).

- *Committee Name (Chair, Chair's department/ Standing Com. it reports to)*
- Academic Organization (Matthew Lynall, MGMT / EPC)
- Academic Progress and Records (Sammie Morris, Libraries / EPC)
- Athletic Affairs (Nathan Hartman, CGT / SAC)
- Budget Interpretation, Evaluation, & Review (Lou Sherman, Biol. Sci. / URPC)
- Faculty Compensation and Benefits (Michael Fosmire, Libraries / FAC)
- Grade Appeals (Sandra (Kuebler) Gilpin, Nursing / FAC)
- Library Committee (Sylvie Brouder, Agronomy / URPC)
- Parking and Traffic (Nicholas Dib, Construction Mgmt / URPC)
- Scholastic Delinquencies and Readmissions (Megan Dorton, Sr. Assoc Director of Admissions / EPC)
- Staff Appeal Board for Traffic Regulations (Roy Dejoie, Management /URPC)
- Sustainability (Mary Johnson, Aviation & Transportation Technology / URPC)
- Visual Arts and Design (committee is not yet populated / URPC)

Contact the chair (listed) for more information.

Most of the work of the University Senate happens in committee. Standing Committees are composed of Senate members and university advisors. Faculty committees are composed of faculty members and often have non-faculty liaisons. Recommendations from committees come to the full Senate for consideration and vote.

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