NEW SENATOR ORIENTATION: 2022-23

Welcome!
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Why are we doing this today?

We have to.

UNIVERSITY SENATE DOCUMENT 66-11
20 February 1967
Approved by the University Senate on
20 February 1967

TO: University Senate
FROM: Faculty Affairs Committee
RE: Orientation of New Members of the Senate

It is recommended that the following procedure be adopted.

The Purdue University Senate asks all newly elected members of
the Senate to meet as soon as possible, after election, with
the parliamentarian as Chairman. The parliamentarian will
orient the members to the content of the University Code and
By-laws of the Senate, its Committee responsibilities and the
general conduct and procedures of the Senate.
The Senate in History

Very Brief Background

The Senate was established by Executive Council Document 63-3, ratified by mail ballot, and approved by the Board of Trustees. It convened for the first time on Monday, 16 November 1964 at 2:30pm.

Yes, we’ve been meeting on Mondays at 2:30 for almost 60 years.
The Senate was created as a result of the Committee on Reorganization, which was appointed by the Board of Trustees. It replaced an Executive Council. The first remarks to the Senate were made by President Hovde.

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<th>Now (2022)</th>
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<td>86 Senators and 8 Advisers; no students</td>
<td>104 Senators and up to 16 Advisors; 2 student Senators</td>
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<td>No Senate chair or vice chair</td>
<td>Chair created in 1969</td>
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<td>Vice President for Academic Affairs Paul Chenea presided</td>
<td>Vice chair created in 1990 (but not directly elected until 2004)</td>
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<td>A committee was tasked with creating bylaws</td>
<td>FAC is periodically tasked with revising the bylaws</td>
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<td>People complained (often) about quorum problems</td>
<td>Virtual meetings have–so far–decreased absenteeism from 30 to under 10%</td>
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The Plan

Based on your survey responses, here’s what we’ll cover today:

1. Where to get information about the Senate
2. What is a Senator’s job?
4. How the Senate works & how to participate
   • How (and when) things get done
   • Basic parliamentary know-how
5. Other questions?
Where Do I Find Information?
We are going multi-modal this year! You have options.

https://www.purdue.edu/senate/about/reference.php
We continue to work to improve the website as well
https://www.purdue.edu/senate/
Pay special attention to the Meetings & Documents page

- ROI
- Status of Legislation Calendar
- Document Submission Form
- Meeting Schedule

Agenda & Documents

2022-2023

- Monday, September 12, 2022
- Monday, October 17, 2022
- Monday, November 21, 2022
- Monday, January 23, 2023
- Monday, February 20, 2023
- Monday, March 20, 2023
- Monday, April 17, 2023
Pay special attention to the Meetings & Documents page

April 18, 2022
2:30 PM, Virtual (Zoom)

- Agenda
- Minutes
- Newsletter
- Remarks
- Slides and presentations
- All Senate Documents
AND ALSO

The Secretary of Faculties Office

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What is my job here?
What am I supposed to do? Whom do I represent?

Most Senators are elected by their academic units to their interests

- Come to the Senate meetings, and please come prepared
  - Read the materials *ahead of time*, and, to the extent possible, know what your constituents think of them so that you may represent their views
  - Be ready to vote; know what you are voting on
    - If you don’t? “I rise to request information.”

- Always keep your units informed of what the Senate is up to; we circulate a newsletter within a few days (usually 36 hours) of each meeting to help with this

- Serve on a Standing Committee: we need nearly full participation to populate the committees, which do much of the Senate’s crucial work
  - If you have not been assigned to a committee, but want to be, please inform Nush or Bob Nowack, Chair of the Nominations Committee
Committees
Most of the Senate’s work is done in committee

- The work of Standing Committees is generally presented in the form of these numbered Documents.
- Documents to be presented to the Senate must be submitted to the Steering Committee for agenda assignment (Steering meets 2 weeks before the Senate does).
- Documents are first submitted “for discussion,” and final action usually waits until the next meeting that includes the Document on its agenda.
- The Senate may also request reports on pressing issues; this is normally handled through the Steering Committee.
A brief but emphatic note on scheduling:

**Documents for Steering are due at NOON the FRIDAY BEFORE STEERING MEETS**

- Monday, August 29, 2022
- Monday, October 03, 2022
- Monday, November 07, 2022
- Monday, January 09, 2023
- Monday, February 06, 2023
- Monday, March 06, 2023
- Monday, April 03, 2023

**Presentations for the Senate are due at NOON the FRIDAY BEFORE IT MEETS**

**Senate meetings 2022-2023**

(2:30-5pm; plan to try to arrive early)

- Monday, September 12, 2022
- Monday, October 17, 2022
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How Stuff Works
MAY I SPEAK AT SENATE MEETINGS?

SURE YOU CAN!

All Senators and Advisors to the Senate have full floor privileges. Non-Senators may speak at the Senate if invited to do so by the Steering Committee or the meeting’s presider.

But there are rules, of course:

• Please wait to be recognized by the presider*
• Always address the matter before the Senate, never the Senators
• Speakers should cede ground to others still waiting if they have already spoken up on a matter
If you want to dig in on procedure:

There are several main resources

- The Bylaws
  - On the website; searchable / printable version available there as well

- The American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code
  - We will send you a copy! Just ask!

- Ask the Secretary of Faculties

- Consult with the Steering Committee (Libby Richards, Chair)
What happens at a typical meeting?

Here’s the basic structure, but it may vary:

- Call to Order
- Acceptance of the Agenda
- Remarks of the Chair
- Remarks of the President
- Question Time
- Memorial Resolutions
- Résumé of Items Under Consideration (ROI)
- Senate Documents
- Guest Reports
- New Business
- Adjournment
What should I know about remote Senate meetings?

SO glad you asked! There are a few things.

- Please log in with your first and last name—you will not be admitted as “R’s iPhone3” or “Bob”
- Be ready to vote. Most voting will take place via the polling feature, but we also sometimes use Qualtrics—you may need to be able to access your email
- You may use the chat feature to send messages to Nush, but not to the full body
- Captions will be available at every meeting
- It’s okay if you need to arrive late—we appreciate a heads up, though
- Meetings are livestreamed and watched by members of the press and faculty

The Senate will vote on continued modality in September’s meeting.
Some common Parliamentary procedures include:

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8/17/2022
We use AIP Standard Code, not RONR (so no tabling)

- But we follow our Bylaws first
- Main motions usually take the form of Documents
- Amendments are debatable and amendable
- Most votes can be done by consent of the body (although the body doesn’t always consent)
- Points of order may interrupt
- The call to end debate is not debatable

**Parliamentary rules are to further the ability of a body to conduct its business—not to curtail that ability**
To: The University Senate
From: The Educational Policy Committee
Subject: Day of Jubilee in Observance of Ant-Man & The Wasp: Quantumania
Reference: https://marvelcinematicuniverse.fandom.com/wiki/Ant-Man_and_the_Wasp:_Quantumania
Disposition: University Senate for Discussion and Adoption
Rationale: More should be done to promote faculty-student unity and to improve mental health on campus. A common cinematic experience would do much to promote the furtherance of the Purdue Community’s mutual values and beliefs.
Proposal: 17 February 2023 will be declared a Day of Jubilee, during which classes will be cancelled and no exams or labs will be held, so that the entire academic community may come together to celebrate the return of the Ant-Man franchise.

Committee Votes:

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Presider: The Chair recognizes Senator A, Chair of the Educational Policy Committee.

Senator A: Thank you, Madam Chair. On behalf of the Educational Policy Committee, I move that the Senate should accept our Document, “Day of Jubilee in Observance of Ant Man & The Wasp: Quantumania.”
Presider: It is moved and seconded that the Senate adopt the proposal, “A Day of Jubilee in Observance of \textit{Ant Man & The Wasp: Quantumania}? Is there any discussion? Senator A?

Senator A: Thank you, Madam Chair. It is the position of the EPC that a day of celebration of the Marvel franchise is badly needed by the Purdue community, and will promote learning and good mental health.
So what does this look like?

Presider: Thank you, Senator A. The Chair recognizes Senator B.

Senator B: Thank you, Madam Chair. Since this matter is urgent, I move that we suspend the rules to take immediate action on the proposal.

Senator A: I second.
Chair: It is moved and seconded to suspend the rules so that the Senate may take immediate action on the proposal to adopt A Day of Jubilee in Observance of *Ant Man & The Wasp: Quantumania*. I remind the Senate that this moves the voting threshold to a 2/3 majority. Is there any objection to suspending the rules? Seeing none, the rules are suspended. Is there further discussion?
So what does this look like?

Presider: The Chair recognizes Senator C.


Senator B: I second
Chair: It is moved and seconded to amend the proposal to adopt A Day of Jubilee in Observance of Ant Man & The Wasp: Quantumania by striking the words, “Ant Man & The Wasp: Quantumania,” and inserting the words, “Shazam! Fury of the Gods.” If adopted, the proposal will read, A Day of Jubilee in Observance of Shazam! Fury of the Gods. The matter before us is the amendment. Is there discussion? Senator C?
Senator D: Madam Chair, point of order.

Presider: Please state your point of order, Senator D.

Senator D: Madam Chair, per Senate Document 64-07, the Senate has agreed to endorse the Marvel fanbase, not the DC fanbase. This amendment is not compliant with our policies.

Presider: This point is well taken, Senator D. The proposed amendment is not in order. We will return to discussion of the main motion.
Presider: Is there further discussion?

Presider: Seeing none, we will proceed with the vote. The matter before us is whether the Senate will adopt A Day of Jubilee in Observance of *Ant Man & The Wasp: Quantumania*. Because we have suspended the rules, a 2/3 vote is required for this motion to carry. Please use the Zoom poll to indicate your position on this motion.
So what does this look like?

Secretary of Faculties: If you encounter any technical difficulties, please let me know in the chat. Please don’t text Ed. I’ll launch the poll now.

With no new votes coming in, I can share the results. There are 55 votes in favor of the motion, and 45 opposed. Eight Senators have abstained. Because the vote has not crossed the required 2/3 threshold of those present and voting, the motion fails to carry.
[The next main motion proposed a general observation of the artistic achievements of the Netflix *Sandman* series. It was referred to committee for further study.]
Any other questions?
THANK YOU FOR COMING!

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