

Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda

August 26, 2022

1:00 PM until adjournment

Synchronous Online

Zoom link: will be provided

- I. Welcome and Roll Call**
- II. Review of Minutes from April 29, 2022**
- III. Overview of Faculty Senate meeting structure and procedures -- Joanne Matson**
--added procedure for Senate -- clean copy back to Executive Council
- IV. Announcements**
- V. Airing of Grievances (2 minute limit)**
- VI. Introduction of New Topics (2 minute limit)**
- VII. Election of Senate Vice President, Secretary, and Parliamentarian**
- VIII. Election of Faculty Senate representative to Faculty Governance Committee**
- IX. Election of Administrator to Faculty Appeals Council**
- X. Reports**
 - a. Executive Committee - Joanne Matson, President of Faculty Senate
 - b. Chancellor's Report – Christy Drale, Chancellor
 - c. Provost's Report – Ann Bain, Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor
 - d. Student Retention Initiatives -- Tyler Harrison, Associate Director
- XI. Old Business**

none.
- XII. New Business**
 - A. Motion FS_2022_21. Executive Committee (Recommendation. Majority Vote at one Meeting, no second required. Resolution on salaries**

Whereas a merit raise was last provided for the full-time faculty at UA Little Rock in FY 2017, and for staff in FY 2016, and

Whereas faculty and staff are essential to assuring student retention and success, and

Whereas enrollment declines are stabilizing, and

Whereas the cost of living continues to increase significantly,

Therefore, be it resolved to request that the Provost and Chancellor, working with appropriate university level faculty councils and committees as well as administrators, address merit raises for full time faculty and staff during FY 2023 in order to provide funding for increases in faculty and staff salaries in FY 2024.

Commentary: Versions of this resolution were approved by the CHASSE and CBHHS Assemblies on August 18, 2022; and by the DCSTEM Assembly on August 19, 2022.

B. Motion FS_2022_22. Executive Committee (Legislation. Majority Vote at one Meeting, no second required) Revision of Policy [404.4](#), Class Attendance and Withdrawal Policy

Withdrawal for Non-Attendance, Non-Payment, or Emergency

It is the responsibility of a student not intending to attend a class or classes to withdraw before the 10th day of class (or equivalent date for non-full-terms) in order to receive a full 100% tuition refund. In some situations, the student may be administratively withdrawn by the university if they have not ~~On or before the 10th day of classes, students who have not~~ attended class or ~~who have not~~ met their payment obligations. ~~may will be administratively withdrawn.~~

Additionally, Sstudents may be withdrawn from a class by the instructor at any time during the semester due to extenuating circumstances, such as medical or family emergencies or excessive absences. Students must be notified that they will be withdrawn from a class, and may appeal that action through the grade appeal process, provided that they file the appeal within five business days of the notice. The withdrawal will not be final until the appeal is completed, and students may continue to participate until the final decision is made.

Student and Administrative withdrawals are subject to the tuition refund schedule established in Policy 303.3 and available each term on the Bursar's website under refunds.

Effective Fall 2022.

Commentary: If a student withdraws or is withdrawn before the 10th day, they can get a full tuition refund; after the 10th day, they must pay all or a portion of their tuition per the policy. However, not all non-attending students are withdrawn by the 10th day since it is not an automatic process. Students are saying they relied on this policy to be withdrawn and so they should get full tuition refund, even if they weren't withdrawn. This modification should clarify it is the student's responsibility to withdraw to assure the 100% tuition refund.

XIII. Open Forum

XIV. Adjourn