Faculty Senate Minutes

May 1, 2025

Call to order:

A regular meeting of the University of North Alabama's Faculty Senate (FS) convened via MS Teams Video Conferencing at 3:30pm with President Hunt presiding.

I. Recognized Proxies

None

Members in attendance

Jackie Allen, Lisa Ann Blankinship, Sidney Blaylock, Miranda Bowie, Charles Brooks, Keli Brothers, Danny Burton, Corey Cagle, Justin Carter, Jian Chen, Freda Coleman-Reed, James DaSambiagio-Moore, Jenny Dawson, Ravi Gollapalli, Anissa Graham, Leah Graham, Einar Gudmundsson, John Hodges, Rebecca Hopkins, Andrea Hunt, Jason Imbrogno, Lorie Johnson, Kelly Latchaw, Mark Linder, Melanie Looser, Tom Lukowicz, Stephanie Montgomery, Andrea Nate, Brent Olive, Gary Padgett, Andrew Potter, Chris Purser, Candice Quinn, Suzanne Reese Mills, Beverly Russell, Matthew Schoenbachler, Justin Scott, Darlene Townsend, Gretchen Windt, Ping Zhao, Rui Zhou

Members not in attendance

Argie Campbell, Jason McCann, Robert Rausch, Wendy Wang

Recognize guests

Dr. Jeff Ray, Dr. Jason Watson

II. Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Sen. Montgomery and seconded by Sen. L. Graham. The motion was approved by raised hand (31Y). The motion passed.

III. Approval of the Minutes from April 10, 2025

A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Sen. L. Graham and seconded by Sen. Montgomery. No discussion. The motion was approved by raised hand (36Y). The motion passed.

IV. Remarks from Dr. Jeff Ray, NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative (FAR)

Dr. Ray provided updates to the ASUN conference and UNA student athletes. Significantly, GPA for student athletes for Spring 2024 was 3.2 and 3.26 for Fall 2024. Dr. Ray requests that any faculty member who has a question or concern with student athletes (e.g. missing classes) to please reach out to him (jmray@una.edu). Students should only be missing class for scheduled games or travel.

V. Elections

- a. Faculty Vacancies on Shared Governance Committees Beginning in Fall 2025
- b. Faculty Vacancies on Shared Governance Committees Due to upcoming Retirements or Resignations

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- c. Faculty Vacancies on Committees that Function Outside of Shared Governance Structure
 - d. Faculty Pool for Grievance Committees
 - e. Faculty Pool for Due Process Committees
 - f. Faculty Pool for University-Wide Promotion and Tenure Portfolio Review Committee
 - g. Faculty Senate Officers (Executive Committee)
 - i. President Elect Tom Lukowicz
 - ii. Secretary Lisa Ann Blankinship
 - iii. Committee Member at Large Darlene Townsend
 - iv. Committee Member at Large Justin Scott

VI. Transfer of the Gavel

FS Pres. Hunt thanked everyone for a successful year and virtually transferred the gavel to FS Pres. Justin Carter. FS Pres. Carter stated that he was looking forward to working with everyone in the upcoming Senate year.

VII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Sen. A. Graham and seconded by Sen. Montgomery. The motion was voted on by raised hand (21Y). Motion passes and meeting adjourned at 5:05pm

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