

University Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, April 17, 2025 – 1:45 PM
HYBRID MEETING
In Person: Room 301AB, Tuttleman Learning Center
AGENDA

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Robin Kolodny, Faculty Senate Secretary, at 1:49 pm.

2. Approval of UFS minutes of December 12, 2024

The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Guest: Sherri Hope Culver, Chair of Faculty Senate Committee for International Programs

Culver reported about the committee's work, showing a list of committee members and noting their broad representation across the university during AY 24-25.

Issues Identified: No Global Temple Conference in recent years (last one in 2023)
 No cohesive way to track international programs throughout Temple
 No central information on visiting scholars on campus
 Importance of internationalization grants for faculty to develop projects

Can we maintain online communications to international constituencies?

Can we create a "buddy system" for international students/scholars at Temple?

The International Programs Committee to draft and circulate a statement supporting international students for review and potential release.

Culver stated she would not be chair of the committee next academic year.

4. Recognition of Faculty Senate Faculty Service Award recipients

Awardees were recognized and acknowledged (attach list)

5. President's Report: Shohreh Amini – not presented.

6. Vice President's Report: Mike Bognanno

FSSC spent an hour with the RCM consultants on April 8, 2025

CAT reported on new digital standards for all course materials

Two resolutions about faculty response to recent events in higher education were circulated and discussed by the FSSC.

The executive committee of the Faculty Senate met with university counsel and the provost, Bognanno to follow up on details about the composition and timeline of the Provost search committee and to clarify CATA's role in it.

7. Old Business

Announcement of Faculty Senate election results

8. New Business

Faculty Senate leadership to initiate the process for replacing Cheryl, whose term ends July 1st due to retirement.

There will be a special Faculty Senate Forum on April 25, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom. FSSC member Barry McCarthy is organizing the speakers.

Some faculty wish to use the special forum on Friday, April 25th as a special meeting of the faculty senate. A discussion ensued and a motion passed to have a special session of the Faculty Senate immediately after the forum to avoid confusion of functions between the special session and entertaining motions.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Kolodny, Faculty Senate Secretary