

Faculty Senate Agenda

March 7, 2025, 3-5 PM
Location: Egan Library 211
And via Zoom

Brian Blitz, President		Charmaine Lewis, Natural Sciences	
Glenn Wright, Past President		Glenn Wright, Social Sciences	
Ali Ziegler, President-Elect		Jennifer Ward, Library	
Mike Boyer, Business		X'unei Lance Twitchell, Juneau	
Robin Gilcrist, Career Ed		Joel Markis, Sitka	
Kevin Spink, Education		Kasia Polanska, Ketchikan	
Andrea Dewees, Humanities		Carin Silkaitis, Interim Provost	

- I. Call to order. 3PM
- II. Roll call.
- III. Approval of agenda.
- IV. Approval of [February minutes](#).
- V. Announcements/Questions/Guests: Evan Price (Safety Committee)
- VI. Curriculum Committee [Report Feb 21](#):
 - A. Initial Approval
 1. WELD 275
 - B. Final Approval
 1. Outer Coast courses ([spreadsheet with all the courses](#), [current MOA](#))
 2. Environmental Studies B.A.
 3. Special Education B.A.
 4. ANTH 455
- VII. Old Business
 - A. [Handbook edits](#) (part 1) and [list of changes](#). ~~Strikethrough~~ for deletions, **red text** for additions. (vote)
 - B. [Humanities proposal concerning A.A.S. degree requirements](#). (Andrea)
- VIII. New Business
 - A. [BoR motion](#).
 1. Here is a [draft resolution](#) from UAF Faculty Senate
 2. Create an ad hoc implementation committee. (Glenn)
 - B. Course Substitution form (Robin)
 - C. Blackboard original vs. ultra (Mike)
 - D. Open Enrollment dates and Student Ratings dates (Joel)
- IX. FS President's Report:
 - A. Faculty Senate President Elect (any nominations for next year?)

- B. Faculty Initiative Fund: need reviewers for Fall 2025
 - C. Faculty Time Off (FTO): Save your department's budget by taking all of your FTO. Cash out some if you want ([FTO Cash-in form](#), [Faculty Time Off FAQs](#)). The point being if you have any FTO left on May 10th, then Statewide gets the money.
- X. Faculty Alliance Report: Met with 49 legislators individually to discuss our [Legislative Priorities](#)
- XI. Interim Provost's Report
- XII. Committee Reports
 - A. CELT report: Faculty Representation on CELT.
 1. The following message was sent to faculty: "The UAS Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT) is seeking faculty representatives from the School of Career Ed; School of Education; Library; Ketchikan campus; Sitka campus; and the Departments of BPA, Humanities, Natural Sciences, and Social Sciences, for FY 25-26 academic year to help shape faculty development initiatives and support innovative teaching and learning. Representatives meet with the CELT team for 1 hour every other week (typically on Monday's) to collaborate on programming and share faculty perspectives. We encourage participation from faculty across all units, though representation from every unit is not mandatory. Please direct any questions to uas.celt@alaska.edu. Selection of faculty representatives will be handled within each unit."
 2. CELT Liaison to Faculty Senate. The Liaison position was created several years ago when the Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT) was established. As CELT has evolved to include more faculty, due to the folding of TLTR into CELT, most of the duties expected of the Liaison are no longer required or are shared by all faculty members serving on CELT. As such, we recommend that the Liaison position be retired and an annual reminder be sent to faculty about service on CELT (see above).
 3. CELT will add the preparation of the monthly report to FS as a standing item on the agenda. As necessary, a CELT member will coordinate with the FS President about items requiring FS approval.
 - B. Graduate Committee:
 - C. Research and Creative Activity: The RCAC website is in the process of moving from the School of Arts & Sciences to the Provost Office, and will soon have posted the UAS policy, standards and guidelines for undergraduate research ethics.
 - D. Sustainability Committee: Gearing up for Earth Day 2025 (April 22)
- XIII. Adjournment. No later than 5PM.

Next Meetings: April 4, May 2