

# Faculty Senate Agenda

December 5, 3-5 PM

Location: Egan Library 211

Zoom link:

Ali Ziegler, President		Julie Schram, Natural Sciences	
Brian Blitz, Past President		Melissa Dolese, Social Sciences	
David Cox, President-Elect		Kaia Henrickson, Library	
Mike Boyer, Business		Jay Szczepanski, Juneau	
Luke Gibes, Career Ed		Terissia Bell, Sitka	
Kevin Spink, Education		Colleen Ianuzzi, Ketchikan	
Xiaofei Song, Humanities		Scott Billingsley, Provost	

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call
- III. Approval of agenda
- IV. Approval of [November meeting minutes](#)
- V. Announcements/Questions/Guests:
  - A. Pete Sommers - CPOS update
  - B. Carin Silkaitis - Accreditation update
  - C. [Winter Closure reminder](#)
- VI. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Report (all info included below)
  - A. First readings for Category A
    1. EDSE S492 Seminar is being refocused on behavioral management to meet the needs of PK-12 classrooms
    2. PSY S345 Evolutionary Psychology is a new course looking at the discussion of human behavior and psychological processes.
    3. Health Information and EHR Foundations, O.E. a new occupational endorsement that is an entry level endorsement for building/maintaining electronic data for patients
    4. Health Information Management, O.E. new occupational endorsements for digital healthcare
    5. Health Information Management Billing Specialist, O.E. new occupational endorsement for creation and support of medical billing
- VII. Old Business
  - A. The Compact
    1. What do we want to do?
    2. [Copy of UAF's resolution](#)

- B. Ambassador Bookstore
  - C. Faculty Handbook Committee (Blitz, Ziegler, Cox, Henrickson, Martin)
  - D. [Resolution to distribute pay over 12 month period - "9 over 12"](#)
  - E. NWCCU process for accelerated bachelor degrees. [V714: Commission Opens Process for Accelerated Bachelor's Degrees - NWCCU.](#)
- VIII. New Business
- A. Banner issues?
  - B. [Review Senator responsibilities](#)
  - C. [Ed2Go](#)
- IX. FS President's Report:
- A. [Faculty Alliance Chair Report](#)
  - B. [2026 FIF Awardees | Academics, Students & Research.](#)
  - C. Faculty Involvement in Recruitment and Retention
  - D. Reminder about MFA
- X. Provost Report
- A. Program proposal update
  - B. Dual enrollment coordinator - Jess Dean
  - C. Dean of Career Education update
  - D. NWCCU update
  - E. UA Online update
  - F. Spring Startup - Thursday January 8, 2026
- XI. Committee Reports
- A. [CELT report](#)
    1. Request to Senate from CELT - what kinds of training opportunities and CELT offerings do you want to see (or not see) at Convocation / Spring Start-up?
    2. UAS access to the Blackboard phone help line ends on Dec. 10th.
  - B. Research and Creative Activity - The RCAC has awarded 6 URECA (Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities) proposals that have been submitted by undergraduates across UAS's programs. Thanks to the faculty mentors who have supported student researchers through the proposal process! We look forward to a great symposium celebrating undergraduate research in the spring semester!
  - C. Sustainability Committee - Earth Day planning and upcoming campuswide survey. Need for updates to the sustainability website; committee will review and revise content. Recycling challenges on campus, especially cardboard waste and unclear data ownership. Exploration of reusable to-go container systems (e.g., OZZI) and related dishwashing needs. Dining and housing updates relevant to sustainability planning.
- XII. Adjournment. No later than 5PM.

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Day (1st Friday, 3 to 5 pm unless otherwise noted)	Tentative Agenda Items
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September 5, 2025	
October 3, 2025	
November 7, 2025	
December 5, 2025	Accreditation update and CPOS update
February 6, 2026	Accreditation update
March 6, 2026	
April 3, 2026	
May 1, 2026	