Attendance:	Chris Jurgenson, Ted Fisher, Karen Bell, Shaun Kelly, Charles Abraham, Carolyn Bailey, Brian Becker, John Alvarez, Maia Elgin-Wegmann, Peter Dean, Nina Baghai-Riding, Douglas Mark, Lesley Mancini, Tim Watkins, Josh Armstrong, Zina Taran, Nora Gough- Davis, Lynn Byrd, Victoria Peay
1. Call to Order:	The meeting was called to order by President Jurgenson at 3:31 p.m.
Announcements:	N/A

Agenda Ite	em	Comments / Discussion	Motions	Action
2. Approval Minutes of Oct 19		ions.	Motion: MEW	Approved
Meeting			Second: ZT	
3. President Report	a b c d d e f 2. New a b c d 3. Ashl 4. ULC a b c c d d 3. Ashl	 Samples presented in AC look very nice and are almost the same price Bachelor's – green trim; Master's – green panel; Doctoral – all green with black stripes on arms Approved by AC; has to be approved by Cabinet; fob has DSU seal on it. Request that they be used for Fall 2024 commencement. ey Tanksley – cancelled Productive meetings with in-depth work on policies to promote passage in Cabinet. Some policies only require a record of review/approval. Some new policies, some being re-written. One policy (military re-enrollment) approved. 		

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	to ULC. If policy passes at Cabinet, it automatically
	becomes university policy.
5	Collegiality
	a. Not on agenda – no notes back from collegiality
	meeting
	b. T&P points need info from Faculty Senate; Provost
	requested feedback; hope is to have it finalized by
	2/1/24.
	c. Better articulation of what collegiality means is
	needed, especially if it is going to be included in
	T&P. May be added to annual review; probably
	will be required in the future.
	d. ZT – examples added to T&P, e.g., being on
	Faculty Senate, sitting on specific committees.
	Consider actions that contribute to the department.
	Wording at present is slightly vague (AAUP 1940),
	which states it should not be used in T&P
	decisions.
	e. What collegiality is and is not has been the focus of
	Collegiality Committee.
6.	Scholastic Honors Policy
	a. This policy specifically has to do with Latin honors
	b. Grade forgiveness policy – students that have not
	been enrolled for 18 months can have up to 5
	classes deleted (requires approval).
	c. Policy change was approved – students receiving
	grade forgiveness will not be eligible to receive
	Latin honors.
7.	Email from Dr. Ennis
	a. Email reported classes not meeting after
	Thanksgiving
	i. CA – problem with international students
	leaving after Thanksgiving and not
	returning with requests for special
	permission.
	ii. ZT – need to follow-up with international
	office to address this and develop policy.
	iii. DM – dorms vacated during Thanksgiving
	week; what happens to international
	students if dorms are closed? There are
	accommodations but have to notify
	residence hall.
	iv. What about dining facilities? Reported that
	Statesman Shelf is used. Clarification in
	policy is needed for this. Estimated 100

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international students. There is a student rep	
in the Cabinet. Need to look into this matter.	
8. Teach-Out Policy Meeting	
a. No longer required.	
b. Concerns remain re: degree plan monitoring; new	
programs with heavier scrutiny.	
c. Dr. Griffin had asked CJ to look into this;	
documents from SACSCOC and Univ. of W. GA	
reviewed. Dr. Bingham, Deans, Dr. Welsh, CJ –	
very specific policy re: teach-out plans. SACSCOC	
outlines good practices and spells out how to do go	
through it.	
d. DM – Does IHL have a teach–out guide for public	
institutions? CJ - No; have to comply with SACS.	
e. Private schools could be allowed for teach out plan,	
but students would have to be accepted at the same	
admission costs.	
f. We will have a university policy.	
9. Ad Hod Budget Committee	
a. The committee has been provided with data on	
institutions that have faced shortfalls.	
b. Running theme – look at programs, cut faculty, etc.	
c. DSU programs are down ~10 positions	
d. The argument is that faculty have already made	
budget cuts, to the point that certain departments	
cannot function.	
i. CJ – we are trying to look at every possible	
way to cut the budget outside of faculty,	
support staff	
ii. Find out where extra money is being spent	
iii. Travel budgets, support staff; police dept.;	
look at all spending.	
iv. NBR – faculty; some adjunct; look at full-	
time faculty numbers.	
v. Discussion re: adjuncts; justify it; rearrange	
courses as able. Reason behind why to have	
adjuncts. Move away from overloads.	
10. Course Evaluation – CJ met with FS President	
Cunningham (Ole Miss); wording of questions was	
changed. Some questions could elicit bias and not evaluate	
faculty teaching.	
a. Wait for report from Andrea Kunze (absent today).	
Maybe Fall 2024.	
i. Incentives to encourage students to	
complete, e.g., early enrollment or receiving	
grades sooner	
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2. No representative present.

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4. University Entities

1. Report from Staff Council (HR): No report. 1. Committee on University Services (ZT): No report.

		2. No representative present.		
5.	Faculty	1. Committee on University Services (ZT): No report.		
	Senate	2. Committee on University Standing (KB): No report.		
	Committees	3. Committee on Elections (MEW): No report.		
		4. Committee on Technology (CA): No report.		
		5. Committee on General Academic Affairs (NGD): No		
		report		
6.	Guest Speaker	Ashley Tanksley (reschedule; date will be set)		
		Let CJ know suggestions for future speakers.		
7.	Action Items	1. Resolution on Overload Pay – Second Reading	Motion:	Passed
		a. Policy is needed despite budget restraints re:	SK	w/ 1
		overloads		abstention
		b. Protects faculty and will be helpful moving forward	Second:	
		c. Take as is to AC? May go to ULC first. CJ will	JA	
		check with Dr. Bingham.		
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		2. Vote of no Confidence in Dean Ellen Green – First	Motion:	Passed
		Reading	JA	
		a. Climate of Fear – communications have been	VII	
		received by CJ related to fear in open	Second:	
		communication/uncertainty.	KB	
		i. MEW – misunderstanding that a memo	IXD	
		suggesting that cuts from colleges be		
		made.		
		b. Refer to document submitted anonymously to CJ		
		i. $ZT - what can we require or what is in$		
		our power to do? Recommendation goes		
		to Provost, President. Has to elicit a		
		response.		
		ii. Would biology position be assumed (by		
		dean)?		
		iii. TF –Is it clear on violations: Is it		
		appropriate action? Are items fully		
		documented; discussed judge's ruling;		
		struggles with what has/has not been		
		proven: CJ – deposition from Lisa Giger;		
		quotes that directly.		
		iv. MEW – might be helpful if we could		
		include other litigation, but since talking		
		to her faculty, they are processing. They		
		want to be part of the decision. They want		

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	v. vi. vii. vii. xii. x. x. xi. xii. xii	to consider it carefully and need time. There is some confusion about what a no confidence vote is. CA – could we allow her to respond? Elements of confidentiality? Non- disparagement in the settlement. LM – as a dean is she doing her job? MEW – do you want to discuss with the faculty? CA – several chairs have reached out to JC; can publicly support or communicate to President. DM – in his dept. colleagues not aware MEW – maybe we need to change what we are doing. CJ – clarified agenda for 1 st reading today, which may be followed by 2 nd reading. If vote is to move forward, discuss w/ constituents. VP – Ethically; is there something in place that we don't know about? Advocates for opportunity to speak to FS. TF – if main argument not 100% true the argument is weaker. Would feel better if we were sure, it would pan out. Would like to hear more from faculty. VM – input from chairs from that college if they would be willing to provide input for letter. CJ – reiterated that itemss included are public record, with policy/procedures not followed. CJ – suggestion to combine the two letters. 1) Motion to approve Vote of No confidence vs Letter of Concern. 2) Proceed to 2 nd reading	Motion to approve NBR Second	Passed
		elease review and send revisions or changes.		
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8. Adjournment 1. The meeting was adjourned by President at 5:28 p.m.	n. Motion: MEW	Passed
	Second: CB	

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