



Attendance:	John Alvarez, Brian Becker, Peter Dean, Christy Jenkins, Gina Jenkins, Miller Mandolini, Nicole Spinks, Christie Sledge, and Ben Yarbrough.
1. Call to Order:	The meeting was called to order by the President at 3:38
2. Announcements:	None

Agenda Item	Comments / Discussion	Motions	Action
3. Approval of Minutes of the Special Call Meeting	1. Motion to approve:	Motion: NS Second: BB	Approved, unanimous
4. President's Report	<p>1. Campus Updates</p> <p>2. PD met with university faculty senate presidents. Discussion included the university budget book have to be publicly available. There is an online link to the DSU budget. Effective January 1, 2026, the parental leave policy will be updated to 6 weeks' paid leave for qualified MS state employees. See House Bill 1063 for more information. There may be a federal bill introduced that restricts DEI in the universities. Who will enforce academic freedom policies? PD will look at the academic freedom policy in the September 2023 faculty senate minutes.</p> <p>3. Academic Council Updates</p>		
5. University Entities	<p>1. Report from Staff Council: No report</p> <p>2. Report from BPAC: No report</p>		
6. Faculty Senate Committees	<p>1. Committee on University Services (VP): No report</p> <p>2. Committee on University Standing (JA): No report</p> <p>3. Committee on Elections (BB): Elections are open.</p> <p>4. Committee on Technology (BY): No report</p> <p>5. Committee on General Academic Affairs (CJ): No report</p>		
7. Discussion Topics	<p>A. Resolution to revise current Faculty Senate Bylaws –</p> <p>a. Discussion included lengthening the term from 2 to 3 years.</p> <p>b. The wording is outdated. Please review and post comments on the document by March 28.</p> <p> DSU Faculty Senate By-Laws revised by CJ.docx</p> <p>B. Resolution to revise the current Faculty Senate Constitution  Faculty Senate Constitution revised by CJ.docx</p> <p>C. Textbook adoptions – adoptions are too soon. We are unsure if there is a solution. We will table for further discussion.</p>	Motion to	Approved



8. Adjournment	1. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25	Motion: GJ Second: NS	
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Next meetings

Executive Committee Meeting: Union Faculty Lounge, April 8, 2025

General Faculty Senate Meeting: Jacob Conference Center, April 10, 2025