

Attendance:	John Alvarez, Brian Becker, Peter Dean, Maria Weber, Mari Micci Shannon, Nicole Spinks, Justin Krueger, Nora Gough Davis, Jon Westfall.
1. Call to Order:	The special meeting was called to order by the President at 3:33 pm
2. Announcements:	

Agenda Item	Comments / Discussion	Motions	Action
3. Action Items	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Approval of Minutes Nomination(s) and Election of President-Elect <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NS nominated Jon Westfall Elected unanimously Nomination(s) and Election of Secretary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NGD nominated Christie Sledge Elected unanimously Sign-up for Faculty Senate Committees & Election of Committee Chairs within Committees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JW provided an overview of the responsibilities of each of the committees. University Services: Jon Alvarez (chair), Jon Westfall University Standing: Nicole Spinks (chair), Jon Alvarez Elections: Brian Becker (chair), Nora Gough Davis Technology: Nora Gough Davis (chair) General Academic Affairs: Jon Westfall (chair), Maria Weber Discussion/Nomination of Parliamentarian: Senators report no one responded to calls for a Parliamentarian for FS 	Motion JW Second NS	Approved Unanimous
4. Discussion	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Maria Weber, proxy for Tanya McKinney shared she would be serving on Faculty Senate; TM has been awarded a grant that requires monthly meetings on the same day/time as Faculty Senate. Tenure and Promotion – Chris J. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wording is more universal and applicable to all divisions/schools; includes alignment of dates and policies; includes definition of collegiality; includes checklist to be used by candidate to ensure all criteria are met and to be used by evaluator to provide specific feedback JW: There needs to be continuity is what is considered scholarship and service; for example, presenting at a conference at DSU is considered service, but presenting at another university is considered scholarship. The explanation given in the past is that DSU does not use a peer-reviewed process for accepting presentation applications, however, the point was made that we do not know that other institutions use a peer-reviewed process. CJ asked for that in writing to take to the T&P committee. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regarding grants: writing of a grant is considered scholarship; if approved, it is considered both scholarship and service CJ noted most universities follow the policy of 5-7 years to apply for full after associate but Dr. Ennis states that could be changed. CJ states sticking with 5 is what he would recommend, as that is the most common practice. AC meets on 2nd/4th Thursdays of the month; CJ asked for feedback quickly on the T&P documents emailed out; and electronic vote could be held. <p>3. JW and PD will review the edits made to the constitution and bylaws in order to determine what else needs to be revised.</p> <p>4. Discussion of “A Call for Constructive Engagement/AAC&U;” document has been signed by over 500 universities. PD and NGD/JW will informally ask Dr. Ennis if he has seen the document and what his thoughts are. Document needs to be read and investigated to determine if it warrants FS making a motion to ask formally for it to be signed.</p> <p>5. Discussion of Staff Council representative attending FS. JA stated to one from SC has attended in about 3 years. NGD has attended SC meetings. JW stated he would reach out to reconnect with SC.</p> <p>6. With the understanding senators will remain in contact over the summer, as needed, motion to cancel the following in-person meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14 With meetings to resume: September 4 (EC) and September 11 (FS) 		
5. Adjournment	1. The meeting was adjourned at 4:33pm.	Motion: JW Second: NGD	Approved: Unanimous

Next meetings

Executive Committee Meeting: September 4, 2025

General Faculty Senate Meeting: September 11, 2025