

Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda
March 17, 2026
Via MS Teams & Morris Library Room 754
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order: Khalid Meksem**
- II. Roll Call: John Farrish**
- III. Approval of Minutes from February 10, 2026**
Motion/Second/Vote
- IV. President's Report: Khalid Meksem – 5 minutes**
 - A. Job Posting Language** – (approve proposed changes from HR – resulted from the *Resolution of the Faculty Senate of SIU Carbondale Regarding Inclusivity*)
Motion/Second/Vote
 - B. Global Engagement Ad Hoc Committee** (update)
 - C. Business Practice Ad Hoc Committee** (update)
 - D. Teaching Effectiveness Ad Hoc Committee** - (no longer waiting for a charge – Provost Tucker does not anticipate forming this ad hoc committee)
 - E. Discuss proposed updated Resolution Form – (Chancellor/Provost signature line & approval date)**
- V. Vice President's Report: Jennifer Sherry – 2 minutes**
 - A. Frances T. Lee resigned from Faculty Senate - SOM** (work schedule conflict)
 - B. Cinzia Padovani** – will have a Proxy for Fall 2026
 - C. Laurel Fredrickson** – (will not be in CAM 2026-2027 & will not be serving on Senate)
- VI. Invited Guests:**
 - A. Chancellor Lane** – 5 minutes
 - B. Provost Tucker** – 5 minutes
 - C. Director of Study Abroad: Brian Henry** (opportunities/goals) – 5 minutes
 - D. Faculty Ombudsperson: Michelle Kibby** – 4 minutes
 - E. CBIZ Compensation Study: Taylor Sprague & AVC Nick Wortman** – 5 minutes
 - F. Risepoint Rep: Vice President/Managing Director Tony Abruscato** – 5 minutes
 - G. VC Susan Simmers** (Business Practice update) – 2 minutes
 - H. VC Wendell Williams** (upcoming high school visits) – 2 minutes
 - I. VC Matt Kupec & AVC Jeff Gleim** (Southern Illinois Takeover Tour) – 2 minutes
 - J. VCR/Dean of Graduate School: Costas Tsatsoulis** – 3 minutes
 - K. Faculty Advisory Council to IBHE: Lichang Wang** - 2 minutes
 - L. Graduate Council Chair: Kelly Bender** - 2 minutes
 - M. Q & A** – 15 minutes (*or could be extended to answer all Senate questions*)
- VII. Reports**
 - A. Executive Committee: Chair, Khalid Meksem – 2 minutes**
 - 1. Senate Budget & Release time for Vice President's role & UEPC Chair**
 - 2. Preliminary Report** - idea of merging Graduate Council with Faculty Senate
 - B. Election Committee: Chair, Jennifer Sherry – 5 minutes**
 - 1. Election for (1) JRB Member** - (to satisfy from the college where the Chair came from – CALPS)
(Derek James Fisher)
Motion/Second/Vote
 - 2. Faculty Senate Election – Spring 2026**
 - C. Undergraduate Education Policy Committee: Chair Jonathan Remo – 15 minutes**
 - 1. RMEs: Motion/Second/Vote**
 - a. RME Rename Minor in Mythology to Mythology and Religious Studies**
 - b. RME Rename Sustainable Horticulture Systems Specialization to Urban Horticulture**
 - c. RME UG Certificate AI Social Media Strategist**
 - d. RME Specialization Companion Animal**
 - 2. Priority Programs Review** – (has been paused by Chancellor Lane)

3. Regular and Substantive Interaction (RSI) Policy – (draft policy from Provost Tucker)

This draft policy is intended to address concerns raised by HLC following submission of our Year 4 Assurance Review and the US Department of Education requirements.

4. Resolution Calling for Faculty Oversight of Risepoint Programs

Motion/Second/Vote

D. Budget Committee: Chair, David M. Johnson – 2 minutes

E. Committee on Committees: Co-Chairs, Cheryl (Shelly) Page & Jonathan Remo - 2 minutes

F. Faculty Status and Welfare Committee: Chair, Mohtashim Shamsi - 2 minutes

G. Governance Committee: Co-Chairs, Randall Auxier & Jun Qin - 8 minutes

1. Resolution Regarding Recent Instability in SIU's Academic Leadership

Motion/Second/Vote

2. Motion/Second/Vote on Resolutions:

a. Resolution of the SIU Faculty Senate on Senate Support and Leadership

b. Resolution of the SIU Faculty Senate on Senate Support Staff

3. Preliminary Report - idea of merging Graduate Council with Faculty Senate

4. Resolution Regarding Delivery of Online Programs and Courses

Motion/Second/Vote

VIII. Old Business – 3 minutes

IX. New Business – 3 minutes

X. Adjournment

Motion/Second