

**Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda**

**April 28, 2026**

**Session 1**

**Via MS Teams & Morris Library Room 754/752**

**1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

- I. Call to Order: Khalid Meksem**
- II. Roll Call: John Farrish**
- III. Approval of Minutes from April 14, 2026**  
Motion/Second/Vote
- IV. President's Report: Khalid Meksem – 5 minutes**
- V. Vice President's Report: Jennifer Sherry – 2 minutes**
  - A. Big thanks to Melissa Laake, FSEC, and outgoing Senators**
- VI. Reports**
  - A. Executive Committee: Chair, Khalid Meksem – 5 minutes**
    - 1. Update on Interim Provost Search Committee (FSEC vote on 4/15/26)**
    - 2. Study Abroad Program Concerns**
  - B. Election Committee: Chair, Jennifer Sherry – 3 minutes**
    - 1. UPDATE: Carissa Scroggins (new Senator) stepped down from Senate as of 4/15/26. Geoffrey Young was next in line to serve due to the votes during the SP26 Election. G. Young accepted the 3-year NTT term on 4/15/26.**
    - 2. Special thanks to the Elections Committee (Irene Miller, Justin Sextro, & Moira Fiscus), AVC Nick Wortman's Office, & Melissa Laake**
    - 3. Welcome new Senators!**
  - C. Undergraduate Education Policy Committee: Chair Jonathan Remo – 15 minutes**
    - 1. Continue tabled discussion from last meeting: Motion/Second/Vote**
      - a. Resolution Supporting the New UCC Course Requirements - effective FALL 2026** (request for resolution from APAP Dunston)
  - E. Budget Committee: Chair, David M. Johnson – 2 minutes**
  - F. Committee on Committees: Co-Chairs, Cheryl (Shelly) Page & Jonathan Remo - 2 minutes**
  - G. Faculty Status and Welfare Committee: Chair, Mohtashim Shamsi - 3 minutes**
    - 1. Report on working conditions & morale of faculty from recent survey** (Faculty Survey Regarding CBIZ Compensation Study)
  - H. Governance Committee: Co-Chairs, Randall Auxier & Jun Qin - 2 minutes**
- VII. Old Business – 2 minutes**
  - A. Final Reports from Chairs/Co-Chairs of standing committees are due April 30, 2026, to Melissa Laake.**
- VIII. New Business – 3 minutes**
  - Recognition of outgoing Senators – Thank you for your service!**  
Angela Shultz, Christopher Wienke, Frances T. Lee, Gary Apgar, Ghassan Ishak, Jennifer Walker, Kang Sun, Laurel Fredrickson, Lingguo Bu, Nwamaka Anza, and Randall Auxier.
- IX. Adjournment**  
Motion/Second/Vote

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**SESSION 2**

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2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- I. **Call to Order: Khalid Meksem**
- II. **Roll Call: John Farrish**
- III. **Orientation: Khalid Meksem**
  - A. **Recognition of New Senators:** Vjollca Konjufca, Brittainy Spears, Diedra Hopes, Qian (Jenny) Huang, Julia Rendleman, Md Shariful (Sharif) Islam, Steven Goetz, Irene Miller, Andrew Youpa, Christina (Chris) Stantis, Duda Kvitsiani, & (returning Senators) Khalid Meksem and Geoffrey Young
  - B. **2026-2027 Orientation Packet**
    1. **Role of a Senator & Faculty Senate**
    2. **Roles of Faculty Senate Officers**
    3. **Roles of Standing Committees**
- IV. **Election of Faculty Senate Officers: Khalid Meksem**
  - A. **Election for the following seats:**
    1. **President**
    2. **Vice President**
    3. **Secretary**
- V. **Committee on Committees (CoC): Jonathan Remo**
  - A. The seven members of the Committee on Committees shall be elected by and from the Faculty Senate. Members of the Committee on Committees shall serve two-year terms, with approximately half of the committee being elected each year. <https://policies.siu.edu/employees-handbook/chapter11/operating-paper-faculty.php>
  - B. Members *continuing to serve on CoC* (will finish their 2-yr. term): Cheryl (Shelly) Page, Seung-Hee Lee, Jonathan Remo, & Mohtashim Shamsi
  - C. **Election for (3) open CoC seats**
    1. **Motion/Second/Vote**
  - D. **Committee on Committees announce their own Chair/Co-Chair for 2026-2027**
  - E. **CoC assign Senators to Standing Committees for 2026-2027** (Faculty Status & Welfare Committee, Governance Committee, Budget Committee, and Undergraduate Education Policy Committee)
- VI. **Standing Committees for 2026-2027**
  - A. **Committee on Committees announce the Standing Committee assignments**
    1. **Standing Committee members choose their Chair/Co-Chair for each committee**
      - a. **Chairs/Co-Chairs will serve on the Faculty Senate Executive Council. This group meets on the *first Tuesday* of each month, except in January, June, or August.**
    2. **Standing Committee Chair/Co-Chairs are announced for 2026-2027**
- VII. **Approve the Faculty Senate & Faculty Senate Executive Council Meeting Schedule for 2026-2027**
  - A. **Motion/Second/Vote**
- VIII. **Adjournment**