

Faculty Senate Minutes

Wednesday, September 3, 2025, 12:00pm

Science Complex, Physics 117

Senators Present: Zakiya Adair, Anita Allyn, Joe Baker, Matthew Bender, Jill Bush, David Bwire, Brandi Diggs, Thomas Hagedorn, Ziyue Huang, Rebecca Hunter, June Kim, Zachary Kline, Anthony Lau, George Leader, Cathy Liebars, Robert McGreevey, Alexis Mraz, Joao Neves, Tuan Nguyen, John Oliver, Ashley Pollitt, Erin Riley-Lepo, Rayza Rodriguez, Andrea Salgian, Felicia Steele, Glenn Steinberg, Nuriddin Tojiboyev, Sylvia Twersky, Yongming Wang, Kathleen Webber, Shaun Wiley, Wudyalew Wondmagegn, Matthew Wund, Yutong Xie, Melissa Zrada

Senators Excused: Jarret Crawford, Jason Dahling, Solange Lopes-Murphy, Piper Williams

Senators Absent: Tom Brennan, Arti Joshi, Subarna Samanta

- I. Approval of May 7th Meeting Minutes
 - A. Minutes approved with no changes
- II. [Sign In](#)
- III. Senate President Welcome and Introduction
 - A. Priorities for AY 25-26
 - B. Senate communication with faculty
 - C. Continuation of work from the previous years
- IV. Upcoming Campus Events
 - A. Faculty Share – November TBD
 1. Theme: Sustainability
 - B. Faculty Senate Colloquium – November TBD
 1. Jana Gevertz
 - C. Provost's Address – February 4, 2026, 12:30pm, Education 212
 - D. Excellence in Teaching and Learning Summit – February 19, 2026 (no daytime classes)
 - E. Gitenstein-Hart Lecture – March 24, 2026, 12:30pm, Education 212
 1. MinSoo Kim-Bossard
- V. Governance Vacancies for Fall 2025
 - A. Mentored Research and Internships Council (MRIC) – one semester replacement
 - B. Facilities and Construction Planning Council (FCPC) – one semester replacement
 - C. Committee on Academic Programs (CAP) – one year replacement
 - D. Sabbaticals Council
 1. Arts & Comm – three year replacement
 2. HSS Social Science (Psychology, Sociology, Anthropology, or Political Science) – one year replacement
 3. Science (Math and Computer Science) – one year replacement
 4. Education – two year replacement
- VI. Update on MADDC
 - A. TCNJ MADDC Resolution – unanimous vote of support in May 2025
 - B. Three institutions in New Jersey have passed a MADDC resolution: Rutgers, Stockton, TCNJ
 1. All have established a committee

2. Need to establish a TCNJ Faculty Senate subcommittee

- VII. Update on CORE/FYE
 - A. Provost interested in the incremental approach
 - B. The current charge is not a tier 3 testimony level
- VIII. Enhancing communication and collaboration
 - A. Increase communication out of senate and into senate
 - B. Provost requested that deans provide time at meetings for senate report outs
 - C. HSS should work on a solution for report-out since school wide meetings do not occur/perhaps at departmental level
 - D. Suggestion for “talking points” from the senate about how/what to report out
 - E. Sylvia will be holding FS President “office hours,” perhaps also plan for social informal get-togethers (e.g., coffee hours)
 - F. Break out into groups about enhancing collaboration
 - G. Groups discussed the items posted to the IdeaBoardz
- IX. Senate subcommittees
 - A. Senators were asked to opt in for various subcommittees, and the general work of each committee was described
- X. AFT Update
 - A. Matt Wund provided an update on current union discussions
- XI. Wrap up
 - A. Reminder to sign up for committees, short preview for next meeting
- XII. Adjournment at 1:16 pm