

**Great Basin College
FACULTY SENATE 2024-2025
Friday, October 18, 2024
9:00 am**

Elko –GTA 130; Ely – GBC 118; Pahrump- PVC 122; Winnemucca – GBC 123/124.

MINUTES

1. **Roll Call:** Tim Esh, Steven Hrdlicka, Robert Cowan, Christopher Salute, Madison Arbillaga, Dorothy Callander, Jamie Carlson, Mardell Dorsa (Proxy for Eleanor O’Donnell), Tami Potter, Ping Wang, Kara Coates, Stephanie Davis, Jason Brick, Kristin Heath, Kimberly Noah, Donald Jones (Proxy for Roger Quijada)

Members Absent: Abigail Loya, Tiffany Ross, Amber Ogle

Other Members Present: Chair Dave Sexton, Vice Chair Oscar Sida, Deanna Hamilton, Cheyenne Stocks, Mitzi Husbands, Erica Salazar, Sheila Staszak, Ethan Hawkey, Dean Straight, Laura Debenham, Xunming Du, Michelle Beecher, Tami Mette, Becky Coleman, Jonathan Foster, Rita Pujari, Krishna Subedi, Jennifer Stieger, Daniel Murphree, Rebecca Hawkey, Gerardo Wence-Munoz, David Antonini, Shemayne Pitts, Gina Johnson,

Others Present: Shay West, Elizabeth Stanley, Kimberly Myers

2. **Call to Order: 9:02**

3. **Senate Chair Report** – GBC is nice and quiet compared to other campuses. Right now, collective bargaining is a big deal, which doesn’t affect GBC, but has turned into “us vs them” situations at some campuses.

Update on filling the two ad hoc committees formed from September’s meeting: The one for the Faculty Evaluations has been filled. The other ad hoc that will explore the new Tenure Policy in greater detail still needs one or two veterans.

A member has questions about the purpose of the Tenure Policy Committee and why it was formed.

Chair Sexton informs him that it was actually the Social Sciences Department meeting who had concerns about clarification.

Several members mention concerns that some of the wording was confusing. The committee will help with clarification while still maintaining the policy guidelines.

Another concern is that it wasn’t vetted through Faculty Senate, so even though other faculty was on the committee, we as Faculty Senate would like to look at it and make suggestions and clean it up.

Chair Sexton informs the Senate that President Donnelly sent him an email about the two new committees and hopes to see positives from both.

4. **Approval of September 20, 2024 minutes - For Possible Action**

A motion for approval of the September 20, 2024 minutes was by Dodi Callendar, seconded by Madison Arbillaga. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **Standing Committee Reports:**

- a. Academic Standards & Assessment.....**Written Report w/ Future**
i. Report – Information Only **Action Items**
ii. Course Assessment Form Template – For Possible Action in November

Academic Standards and Assessment Chair Murphree clarifies that some of the wording was rewritten for clarity.

b. Bylaws..... **No Report**

c. Compensation & Benefits..... **No Report**

d. Curriculum Review..... **Written Report**

e. Instructional Technology..... **Verbal Report**

ITC Chair Straight would like everyone to watch for the new MFA that will be in effect next year.

Everything text or called will be dropped. We are going to use authenticator apps instead.

f. Gen Ed Committee..... **No Report**

g. Personnel..... **Written Report**

6. Unfinished Business: None.

7. New Business: None.

8. Information Items: None.

9. Announcements:

i. Professional Development Applications are Due October 31st. For more information, refer to the email sent out on Sept. 26 from Compensation & Benefits Committee Chair John Rice.

10. Good of the Order: None.

11. Adjournment: 9:26am