MISSOURI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
ROLLA, MISSOURI

Faculty Senate
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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting

22 October 2026

I. Call to Order (2:00 pm) — J. Schlegel

II. Roll Call — J. Schramm
   a. Present (in-person): M. Bruening, J. Chalfant, M. Davis, D. Duvernell, W. Fahrenholtz, D. Fischer, S. Frimpong, G. Grubbs, F. Han, K. Homan, W. Hu, B. Lea, P. Lindner, W. Meeks, J. Porcel, P. Runnion, J. Schlegel, J. Schramm, S. Sedigh Sarvestani, K. Swenson, J. Wang, R. Wang, D. Westenberg, V. Yu, A. Yamilov, M. Zawodniok.
   b. Present (proxy): A. Belfi, J. Coonrod, S. Corns, D. Finke, J. Rittenhouse.
   c. Absent: S. Baur, J. Burken, D. Feys, D. Forciniti, J. Mauer, S. Puri, P. Shamsi, C. Smith, T. Sorensen, H. Wen.

III. Consent Agenda — J. Schlegel
   a. Motion to approve the consent agenda passed by voice vote.

IV. President's Report — J. Schlegel

V. Campus Reports
   a. Staff Council, No Report
   b. Student Council, report read by J. Schlegel
   c. Council of Graduate Students. Grad health insurance concerns. — R. Saxena

VI. Special Topics
   a. Provost, Academic Affairs Update — J. Harris

VII. Reports of Standing Committees
   a. Academic Freedom and Standards, committee recommends continuing test optional admissions for 3 years. No motion made. — L. Jiang
   b. Administrative Review, two motions of who to review and review schedule made and approved by voice vote. — B. Lea
   c. Budgetary Affairs — D. Bayless
   d. Campus Curriculum Committee, discussion on undergraduate/graduate 4000-5000 level courses. No motion made. — C. Chua
   e. Tenure Policy, motion passed by voice vote. — M. Nath

VIII. Unfinished Business — J. Schlegel
   a. None

IX. New Business — J. Schlegel
   a. Parking Committee, G. Grubbs elected as chair

X. Announcements — J. Schlegel

XI. Adjourn (3:20 pm)

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Take back to your department:

- Test optional admissions. Motion to continue for 3 years will be voted on November 12th.
- 3-4-5-6 level courses. For example, if a 5000 level course already exists, should a new 4000 level version of the same course require it to go through the experimental course process or can it receive a permanent number when first offered.

Upcoming dates:

- November 10, COACHE town hall, 2–3 pm in the Innovation Lab Forum.
- November 11, Veterans Day Holiday
- November 12, Faculty Senate meeting, 2pm, Innovation Lab.
- November 17, The Curators' Distinguished Teaching Professors Summit will address academic integrity in a digital age, 3–4:30 pm, Innovation Lab Room 115.
- November 23, Proposals are due for the Innovation in Teaching and Learning Conference, scheduled for March 11, 2027.

Motions: (all approved by voice vote)

The Administrative Review Committee moves that the following administrative positions be reviewed in the 2026-2027 cycle:

- ❑ Chancellor (Dehghani)
- ❑ Vice Chancellor Finance & Operations (O'Neil)
- ❑ Vice Provost Online Education and Innovation (Bourdeau)
- ❑ Vice Provost Undergraduate Enrollment Management (Gore)
- ❑ Dean of the Library (Weaver)

The Administrative Review Committee moves that the following timeline to be adopted in the 2026-2027 cycle:

Tasks	Time
Review list and Timeline to faculty senate for approval	October 22, 2026
Request Job descriptions (both HR & Reviewees)	October, 2026
Development of questionnaires	November, 2026
Questionnaires to FS for review/approval	December 10, 2026
Request Faculty list from HR	List retrieve period: February 1 -10, 2027
Statement of accomplishments due	February 10, 2027
Review of administrators	March 8 – 26, 2027
Results to FS officers	Early May
Results shared with each administrator	Late May
Results shared with the direct reports	Early June
Final report to FS	June 24, 2026

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Tenure Policy: In the absence of an eligible tenured Associate or Full Professor in a department, the department chair will have the option to select an eligible faculty member from a different discipline to represent their department in the Tenure Policy Committee.
[Such selection can be renewed on an annual basis as needed]