

**FACULTY SENATE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

6 May 2024

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**OFFICERS:** Robert Sprague, *Chair*; Ray Stuart Fertig, *Chair-elect*; Renée Laegreid, *Immediate Past-Chair*; Treva Sprout Ahrenholtz, *Secretary*; Vladimir Alvarado, Gregg Cawley, Rob Godby and Tiger Robison, *Members-at-Large*; and Ashley Hope Carlisle, *Member-at-Large-Elect*.

**Guest:** Steve Barrett, *Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education*.

Chair Robert Sprague called the Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSE) meeting to order at 12:17 pm.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the agenda; motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes of April 29; motion made, seconded, and carried.

The Chair reported that the Board of Trustees would be meeting this week and that it would be in its budget sessions Monday and Tuesday, and that he had reviewed the Board Committees' reports and had not seen anything notable in their reports, except in the Academic and Student Affairs Committee's report.

The Chair reported that the Animal Science and Veterinary Sciences departments were proposing a revised curriculum that would only require 120 credit hours and would be reduced to four concentrations. The Chair reported that the Arts Entrepreneurship Certificate had been adapted from the existing Music Entrepreneurship Certificate and that neither had been reviewed by Faculty Senate. VP Barrett explained that Academic Affairs believed the changes did not need to be reviewed by Faculty Senate since they were very minor. The Executive Committee discussed and concluded that at least the Vet changes should be reviewed by Faculty Senate. VP Barrett and Chair Sprague agreed that Chair Sprague would attend the Academic and Student Affairs Committee's meeting to discuss Faculty Senate's involvement in minor changes to academic programs.

The Chair reported that he had sent Chair-elect Fertig several items from the President's and Provost's Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Hearing Narratives and that he would introduce Chair-elect Fertig to the Board of Trustees on Thursday, and that Chair-elect Fertig would give the Faculty Senate Chair's report on Friday, May 10, 2024.

The Chair noted that President Seidel would make Diversity, Equity and Inclusion recommendations to the Board at 11:00 AM on Thursday and that there would be public comment before the President gave his recommendations. The Committee discussed.

The Chair opened the floor for review of Resolution 463 in Support of Proposed Amendments to Academic Programs Discontinuance, Reorganization, Consolidation, and/or Reduction per UW Regulation 2-13 SAP. The Chair and Secretary Sprout Ahrenholtz discussed amendments to the SAP that would be proposed at that afternoon's Faculty Senate meeting.

The Chair opened the floor for review of Resolution 465 in Support of Suggested Syllabus Statement Incorporating Freedom of Expression. The Chair asked if the resolution should be put forward. The Committee discussed and decided that it should be tabled for further discussion.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded, and carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:38 pm.