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**Academic Senate Agenda**

Wednesday, December 4 at 4:00 P.M.

Debartolo Hall, Room 132

1. **[4:00 PM] Call to Order/Certification of Quorum (Quorum Present)**
2. **[4:02 PM] Approval of Agenda (Approved by Majority with addition of item f “Academic Standards Report”)**
3. **[4:04 PM] Approval of Recording (as minutes) November 6, 2024** (Recording is located at the following URL: <https://ysu.edu/academic-senate/meeting-agendas-minutes>) **(Approved by Majority)**
4. **[4:05 PM] Senate Executive Committee Report** – Dr Chet Cooper, Senate Chair
5. Call for volunteers on updated committee vacancies
6. Shared the following statement from Adam Earnheardt:

“"Following the charge set forth by the Senate Executive Committee, the 75 courses put forth by the General Education Committee are now considered provisional general education courses and will be available for students to select for the Spring 2025 semester. These 75 courses may be appealed for change or removal using a new, revised evaluation rubric that was drafted by the full general education committee. In the spirit of shared governance and transparency, this new rubric will be open for public comment following today's Senate meeting for a period of one week. For purposes of general education committee membership, the Senate's Governance Committee has ensured that the membership of the General Education Committee is complete and representative of the University community."

Brian Vuskanovich raised the question regarding whether the committee was complete given that there were 5 at-large positions that needed to be filled in contradiction to Adam’s statement. Per Martha Pallante, Governance committee will meet in January to ensure the 5 seats are filled. Mike Costarell also raised arguments regarding the statement. Per Senate Chair, Gen Ed to be added to senate agenda for January meeting. Senate Chair and Vice Chair to also further investigate the statement and will make results public.

 **Chet and Martha to investigate the statement and put out for the public.**

1. **[4:10 PM] Senate Committee Reports**
	1. Undergraduate Curriculum Report – Dr Tom Wakefield, Chair **(Approved by Majority)**
	2. Academic Programs Committee Report – Dr David Asch, Chair **(Approved by Majority)**
	3. Honors Academic Senate Committee Report – Dr Amy Weaver, Chair **(Approved by Majority)**
	4. Academic Integrity Committee Report – Dr Matt O’Mansky, Chair **(Informational)**
	5. Artificial Intelligence Committee Report – Dr Joe Palardy and Hillary Fuhrman, Co-Chairs **(Informational)**
2. Need Bitonte and CSTEM representation. Dr Robert Gililand volunteered for the CSTEM spot.
3. Looking for 3 faculty to serves as mentors for new faculty in regards to AI in the future.
	1. Academic Standards Committee Report – Dr Dawna Cerney, Chair **(Informational)**
4. Revamping of Hybrid Courses
5. Review of incoming proposal related to BB grade transitions into the banner system for final grades. Currently optional for Fall 2024.

# [5:00 PM] Old Business

1. **[5:00 PM]** **New Business**
2. **[5:00 PM]** **Adjournment**

**Next Meeting of the Academic Senate:**

**January 8, 2024 at 4:00 PM**

**Debartolo Hall, Room 132**

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| **Meeting summary** * Need more faculty representation on the standards committee to make academic policy.
* Seeking volunteers for various committees, including library, honors, and curriculum committees.
* Provisional general education courses approved for spring semester, with a new rubric open for public comment (initial due date was set for 1 week). There was discussion on looking to extend this deadline.
* Ad hoc committee working on academic integrity policies and best practices, including issues with international students.
* Ad hoc committee on artificial intelligence is taking stock of AI activities on campus to avoid repetition and conflict.
* The AI committee needs additional members.
* A new program for campus mentors in AI will be funded by cyber learning and IT training.
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| **Action items** * Recruit people from Cliff, CSTEM, Williamson, and Bitonte for the standards committee
* Seek additional members for the AI ad hoc committee from CSTEM and Bitonte
* Continue working on evaluating best practices for reducing academic integrity violations
* Send out a survey to gather information on why faculty do not fill out the integrity form
* Email Matt or Hillary if there are any issues, concerns, or experiences related to academic integrity or AI
* Investigate the statement and put it out for public comment (Martha and Chet)
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