

**Faculty Senate President's Report**  
May 24, 2022  
**MEETING IS BEING RECORDED.**

**A. Meeting Protocol**

The Meeting Protocol now lives in the [Google doc](#) that contains the meeting [Zoom link](#).

**B. Celebration of Identities Dinner**

The Celebration of Identities Dinner was well-attended. We had good food prepared and served by WOU Catering (Thank you!), good music (Thank you, KWOU student DJs, Ever Young and Max Brayton!), and fun games (Thank you, ASWOU and Residential Service Center!). ASWOU is hosting the Celebration of Identities through May 28. Encourage students to participate.

The dinner was followed by a silent vigil honoring the ten African American/Black people killed in Buffalo, NY. The vigil was organized by Micah Walker and other members of the Division of Educational Leadership. Please take time to check in with our students and colleagues who may have been affected by this event.

**C. Shared Governance**

Thank you for taking the time at the last Faculty Senate meeting to discuss our shared governance experiences. Talking points, suggestions, and lots of questions were raised, including:

1. What is the role of Division representatives to Faculty Senate?
2. How do we vote—as elected officials representing the decisions of our Divisions or as trusted servants making decisions for our Divisions?
3. How can we refine communication channels? Suggestions were that Senators could share notes with Division colleagues in a shared Google folder, in email, or at Division meetings.
4. What is shared governance?
5. Why do we want shared governance?
6. What can we do without shared governance?
7. What impact do we have in shared governance? Are we advisory? If yes, to whom?
8. What are ways to create connections between committees and Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC)? One suggestion was rather than electing FSEC members, Faculty Senate Committee Chairs could serve on FSEC. Another was that FSEC members could serve on committees.

**D. Call for Service**

[University Budget Advisory Committee \(UBAC\)](#) There is a vacancy for a faculty Senate representative on UBAC. Please let me know if you are interested.

**C. Announcements**

1. Centering BIPOC Voices events [Event Series Website](#).
2. May is National Foster Care Awareness Month! [www.wou.edu/foster](http://www.wou.edu/foster)  
All throughout the month of May, we'll be fundraising by holding a raffle in the WUC and accepting donations to Fostering Success via [our website](#) you can also purchase raffle tickets online)or at [www.wou.edu/give](http://www.wou.edu/give). Also keep an eye out for the teal bows on trees around campus, which signify our commitment to supporting educational opportunities for current and former foster youth!

3. Visit and welcome Jahdi, the muralist working in the WUC between Café Allegro and the Freedom Center. He will be on campus at least through Friday from about 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Meals and snacks are welcome (no Goldfish or olives, please!).
4. There will be one more Faculty Senate meeting, June 14. New senators should plan to attend this meeting.
5. I am accepting contributions to share with the Board at their June 8th meeting. I need contributions by noon on May 27<sup>th</sup>.
6. ***Looking for a student note taker. If you know of someone, please have them contact me.***

#### **D. Curriculum Approvals**

Please make sure and review any changes that may affect your program. I have provided links to proposals.

| <b>Proposal Number</b> | <b>Title</b>                                                                                                                | <b>Type</b>         | <b>Approval Date</b> |
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| P15157                 | <a href="#">International Studies, B.B. (Major – BS)</a>                                                                    | Modify: Description | 5-19-2022            |
| C15115                 | <a href="#">Previous: A 481 Painting: Methods of the Masters</a><br><a href="#">New: Painting: Methods &amp; Techniques</a> | Modify: Title       | 5-19-2022            |

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