

## Highlights from the March 5, 2019 Faculty Senate meeting

These are the highlights from the March 5, 2019 Faculty Senate meeting. Minutes become available on the [Faculty Senate website](#) as they are approved.

Guest: Provost Taber discussed and answered questions related to the Library Serials crisis, enrollment management, and budget.

Standing committee and Student Senate reports:

- Academic Affairs: A new associate's degree program in technology and aviation was approved. The committee continues to reviewing K-State 8 policies as well as the approval, routing, and notification procedures for course and curriculum approval. They are also working on a future proposal related to a university-wide policy for concurrent BS/MS degrees.
- Faculty Affairs: A proposed change to University Handbook, Section C10-11 was approved. Section K handbook changes should be back on the agenda next month. They continue to meet jointly with Professional Staff Affairs to discuss expanding various benefits to term employees.
- Professional Staff Affairs: They continue to meet jointly with Faculty Affairs to discuss representation and benefits for term unclassified professional employees.
- Student Senate: Elections were well participated in and Student Senators will soon be making the transition to the new body. They are working on a resolution similar to the one on this FS agenda.
- Technology (FSCOT): The committee has much on their spring docket including reviewing the use and disuse of office phones; Office 365 updates; shared governance related to the IT strategic plan; clickers; and Duo two-factor authentication rollout.
- University Planning (FSCOUP): The committee continues to work on their spring docket of verifying election procedures for CCOPs, looking at city-university fund ideas, being informed about information relating to the new budget model as it progresses into the next phase, and better identifying FSCOUP's role in strategic planning.

Announcements

- Faculty senators were invited to attend a meeting with Bryan Samuel on March 26, 1-3 pm, in the Union Big 12 room related to the 2015 Climate Survey. This will close out phase 1 of this effort.
- The monthly KBOR meeting report was provided by President Wood.
- Faculty Senate elections are underway.
- The annual faculty and professional staff retiree ceremony will be held on April 16<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm, in the Alumni Center.

Open discussion period

- Senator Hsu reported on the recent Provost's Distinguished Lecture Series talk on Artificial Intelligence (AI). The URL is <http://bit.ly/KSU-AI-Safety>.
- President Elect González reported on a campus-wide Social Justice Center in the works. It will promote interdisciplinary work and action supporting social justice issues.

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