

University Committee on Academic Governance

Draft Minutes

January 9, 2025



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Present: Victoria Nelson, Elizabeth Gardner, Julia Ezzo, Arthur Versluis, Chris Maxwell, Daniel Kramer, Diana Bello DeOcampo, Frank Ravitch, Gordon Sly, Jerry Urquhart, Jiyong Ling, Rick Hallgren, Saleem Alhabash, Saniya Henderson, Tama Hamilton-Wray, Vatsal Gupta, Estrella Torres, Kara Yermak, Mary Juzwik

Absent: N. Bari Olivier, John Fitzsimmons, Martin Crimp, Teresa Mastin, Shawn Vickery, Heidi Pineda, Noah Lubben, Sonya Koenig, David Hogan

A regular meeting of the University Committee on Academic Governance was held on January 9, 2025 at 3:15 pm via Zoom with Chairperson Gardner presiding. The agenda was approved as written. The minutes of the December 12, 2024 meeting were approved as written.

Remarks

Chairperson Gardner and Secretary for Academic Governance Victoria Nelson gave remarks.

Returning Business

Secretary Nelson went over the procedures and timeline for Pool of Faculty Volunteers (POFV) nomination process.

New Business

Chairperson Gardner reported that an At-Large Member (ALM) of Faculty Senate is unable to serve for the entire semester, with their term to run through end of Spring 2026. As such, a replacement is required. Motion to use the results of the previous election to select replacement with highest votes who did not get elected to send to Faculty Senate for a formal vote. No discussion. Motion approved.

Secretary Nelson provided updates on the Students Rights and Responsibilities (SRR) alignment with Bylaws.

Secretary Nelson discussed our unique structure in the BTAA for voting and selecting a Chair and Vice Chair in Faculty Senate. Proposed future investigation, discussion, and consideration for altering our process and ALM term length to improve continuity and to align with our peer institutions.

Comments from the Floor

Frank Ravitch provided an update regarding College of Law UCAG representation.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

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