



Faculty Senate

LSU Faculty Senate Meeting

3:00 pm, September 16, 2025

Dalton Woods Auditorium

Energy, Coast and Environment Building

Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance:

Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC)

P=Present

A=Absent

Name	Position	College	Attendance
Daniel Tirone	President	Humanities and Social Sciences	P
Inessa Bazayev	Past President	Music and Dramatic Arts	P
Parampreet Singh	Vice President	Science	P
Michelle Osborn	Secretary	Veterinary Medicine	P
Kyla Kazuschyk	Member-at-Large	Music & Dramatic Arts	P
Kenneth Lopata	Member-at-Large	Science	P
Carmela Mattza	Member-at-Large	Humanities and Social Sciences	P

Senators

Name	College	Attendance	Name	College	Attendance
Aly Mousaad Aly	Engineering	P	Yuwei Li	Humanities and Social Sciences	P
Kayanush Aryana	Agriculture	P	Donald Lund	Business	P
Trina Biswas	Agriculture	P	Paul Manthei	Human Sciences and Education	P
Brett Boutwell	Music and Dramatic Arts	P	Giulio Mariotti	Coast and Environment	P
Christine Bruening	Art and Design	A	Sarah Mathews	Science	P
Summer Chandler	Law Center	P	Carmela Mattza	Humanities and Social Sciences	P
Yan Chen	Agriculture	A	Supratik Mukhopadhyay	Coast and Environment	P
Rebecca Christofferson	Veterinary Medicine	A	Marcia Newcomer	Science	A
Haley Cobb	Humanities and Social Sciences	P	Michelle Osborn	Veterinary Medicine	P

Name	College	Attendance	Name	College	Attendance
Robert Cook	Science	P	Andre Pagliarini	Humanities and Social Sciences	P
Jeanette Cremer	Veterinary Medicine	P		Humanities and Social Sciences	A
Charles Delzell	Science	P	Ray Pingree	Mass Communication	P
Noah DeWitt	Agriculture	P	Subramaniam Sathivel	Agriculture	P
Ray Diamond	Law Center	A	James Sauls	Science	P
Kunlun Ding	Engineering	P	Ingmar Schoegl	Engineering	A
Peter Doran	Science	Alt- Suniti Karunatillake	Jennifer Scott	Human Sciences and Education	P
Joshua Ellis	Human Sciences and Education	P	Samuel Snow	Engineering	A
Mehdi Farasat	Engineering	A	Phillip Sprunger	Science	P
Meredith Gaglio	Art and Design	A	Casey Stannard	Agriculture	P
Edward Gibbons	Human Sciences and Education	P	Mayank Tyagi	Engineering	Alt- Femi Olorode
Charles Goodman	Music and Dramatic Arts	A	Vanessa Uhlig	Music and Dramatic Arts	P
Lauren Griffin	Humanities and Social Sciences	P	Bulent Unel	Business	Alt- Seungyub Han
Kristen Healy	Agriculture	P	Willem Van Boxtel	Humanities and Social Sciences	Alt- Todd Gibson
Michael Holt	LSU Libraries	P	Scott Baldrige	Science	P
Ryan Hulteen	Human Sciences and Education	P	Ted Waldron	Business	P
Catherine Jacquet	Humanities and Social Sciences	P	Cathy Williams	Agriculture	P
Hartmut Kaiser	Engineering	P	Jian Xu	Engineering	A
Revati Kumar	Science	P	Seungwon Yang	Human Sciences and Education	P
Patty Lathan	Veterinary Medicine	P	Jun Zou	Art and Design	P
Julia Ledet	Science	P			

Guests

Name	Position	Attendance	Name	Position	Attendance
Jane Cassidy	OAA	P	Faith Calagna	SDS	P
Broty Stelly	Parking & Transportation	P	R___ T_____	?	P
Margaret Finch	Academic Affairs	P	John Deacon	SDS	P
Zane Sutor-Benfield	SDS	P	Jordan Smith	SDS	P
Margo Wilson	SDS	P	Earmon Rose	SDS	P
Ryan Spalt	SDS	P	MM	SDS	P
Zidd Eisha	SDS	P	Troy Blanchard	OAA	P
Zakary Smith	SDS	P	Ryan Landry	Office of the President	P
Jarison Limberis	SDS	P	Jackie Bach	OAA	P
Samuel Marrero	SDS	P			

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate convened at 3:05 pm on September 16, 2025, at the Dalton Woods Auditorium at the LSU campus, the President being the Chair and Secretary being present. President Tirone announced alternates and guests. There was one public comment by Zane Sutor-Benfield. The minutes of the last meeting were adopted as amended.

In his report, President Tirone discussed the current climate regarding free speech, politics, general civility, and respect. He noted LSU's strong policies for academic freedom. He then discussed the President's Search. His criteria for the President, who will be in charge of core academic missions, is to have experience in academia as a faculty member. There were no questions from the floor.

The first item of special orders was "Faculty Senate Executive Committee Member-at-Large Election. Lathan made a motion to open the floor for nominations and hold the election for the Faculty Senate Executive Committee Member-at-Large. There were no nominations from the floor. Kristen Healy (Ag) and Seungwon Yang (HSE) each had three minutes to introduce themselves and discuss their interest in serving as member at large. Healy was elected with a majority of 26 votes.

The first item of new business was "Budget and Planning Advisory Committee Election". Cook made a motion to open the floor for nominations and hold the election for the Budget and Planning Advisory Committee. There were no nominations from the floor. The following faculty were elected by acclamation: James Canfield (HSE), Kenneth Lopata (Science), and Wei-Ling Song (Business).

The second item of new business was "Faculty Appeals Board Election". Cook made a motion to open the floor for nominations and hold the election for the Budget and Planning Advisory Committee. There were no nominations from the floor. The following faculty were elected by acclamation: Daniel Kuroda (Science) and Aaron Sheehan-Dean (HSS).

Jane Cassidy, Senior Vice Provost, then provided an update on the International Travel Registry. After a spirited discussion at the last meeting of the Faculty Senate, Vice Provost Cassidy heard the concerns of faculty and acted on them by streamlining the registry process within that of the current spend authorization. These changes will be rolled out in January 2026, which gives time to embed high risk travel information also into the spend authorization. There were no questions from floor.

Broty Stelly, Communications Specialist, Parking & Transportation Services, then presented "The Current State of LSU Parking & Transportation". The presentation included a history of the campus master plan approved in 2017 and the mobility plan add-on in 2019, and covered the resulting current and pending changes that are happening regarding parking on campus. There were multiple questions from the floor, including concerns over scooters on campus, bus hubs, horticulture changes, city transit, early closures on gamedays, transparency of expenditures, effect on the various stakeholders, and infrastructural issues like poor bike lanes.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:39 pm following a motion by Baldrige. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Osborn, Secretary