

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 PM

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved unanimously.

II. Approval of Minutes of General Faculty Meeting of February 5, 2024

The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. UFS Report Frank Byrne/Grace Maxon Clarke

Frank and Grace discussed highlights of the Spring Plenary. Their [detailed report](#) is available on the FA website under Meeting Items.

IV. UUP Report – Frank Byrne

Frank discussed the UUP Spring Delegates Assembly. His [complete report](#) and [presentation](#) are available on the FA website under Meeting Items.

V. Action: Bylaws Changes

[Article V](#) Approved unanimously

[Article XV](#) Approved unanimously

[Article XX](#) Approved unanimously

VI. UFS Senator Election

Isabelle Bichindaritz - Rep

Steve Abraham - Alternate

VII. Chair’s Report – Liz Schmitt

Liz offered some final thoughts in one of her final meetings as FA Chair: Shared governance is worth it. Exerting control over our work life and work products is something to guard and requires us to take responsibility. The curriculum remains with the faculty because we take the time to peer review it. This only works with a critical mass of faculty engaged in this work.

Continuing appointment is a commitment from the institution, but it is also a commitment from faculty to the workings of this institution. If it is important enough to want, it is important enough to stand up and say it out loud. We are professionals and need to be empowered to exercise our professional judgement.

What we do here, it is our life’s work, but it’s also out employment. So while I ask for commitment, I encourage boundaries too.

VIII. Approval of Candidates for Degrees

[CLAS](#), [School of Ed](#), [SCMA](#), [School of Business](#), [Grad Studies](#)

IX. New Business

General Faculty Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2024

Chair: Elizabeth Schmitt

Recorder: Lisa Teters

No new business this meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 P.M.