

**Faculty Senate Meeting
Harrison Hall 123
December 3, 2025
3:15pm-4:30pm**

Senators	Represents	Attended
Maher, Rob	Chair	X
Downs, Doug	Chair-Elect	X
Barrett, Campbell	Extension/Off campus	R
Bartkowiak, Ania	EHHD/Counseling	X
Boles, Jennifer	AR/Film and Photography	X
Bradley, Star	Library	X
Cowan, Susanne	AR/Architecture	X
Davey, Blair	LS/Math Sciences	X
Giusti, Ada	LS/Modern Languages	R
Goosey, Hayes	Extension/On campus	X
Hammersla, Marg	Nursing/On campus	X
Hodge, David	EN/Chemical Engineering	X
Johnson, Erick	EN/Mechanical and Industrial Engineering	X
Kunze, Anja	EN/Electrical & Computer Engineering	X
Leary, Myleen	Business	R
McDermott, Tim	AG/Land Resources	X
McWethy, David	LS/Earth Sciences	X
Meyer, Jim	LS/History & Philosophy	R
Mumey, Brendan	EN/Computer Engineering	X
Myers, Carrie	EHHD/Education	X
Nidever, David	LS/Physics	X
Nordby, Kim	Gallatin College	X
Palmer, Cara	LS/Psychology	X
Posbergh, Chris	AG/Animal & Range Sciences	X
Rushing, Sara	LS/Political Science	X
Secor, Patric	AG/Microbiology & Cell Biology	X
Shirley, Beth	LS/English	X

Swenson, Isaac	AG/Agricultural Economics	X
Thorsen, Maggie	LS/Sociology & Anthropology	X
Tomayko, Emily	EHHD/FSNK	X
Tretter, Ruth	Nursing/Off Campus	R
Ulrich, Danielle	LS/Ecology	R
Walach, Michael	AG/Agricultural Education	X

Others in Attendance	Represents	Attended
Hameline, Cassia	Center for Faculty Excellence	R
Negaard, Donna	Graduate School	R
Sobek, Durward	Office of the Provost	X

- I. Call to Order
 1. Meeting called to order at 3:16pm
- II. Approval of FS Minutes from November 19, 2025
 1. Hayes Goosey moves to approve. Tim McDermott seconds. None opposed. One abstention. Approved.
- III. FYI Items
 1. [Norm Asbjornson Hall Student Art Wall](#) competition info sessions Thurs 4 Dec 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
 2. Today (3 Dec): Holiday open house (3:30-5:30 p.m.) and Lighting of Montana Hall (5:30 p.m.)
 3. Commencement (12 Dec): faculty line-up 9:20AM in full regalia, North Tunnel
 4. Registrar: faculty approval of list of graduates (Tony Campeau)
 - a. Marg Hammersla moves to confer degrees. Chris Posbergh seconds. None opposed. No abstentions. Degrees have been conferred.
 - b. 10,127 graduates includes 121 summer graduates.
- IV. Undergraduate Courses and Programs
 1. New Courses-Second Read
 - a. [TE 499](#) : Applied Technology Management Capstone
 - b. [LSCI 400](#) : Truth and Reason
 - c. [WILD 473](#) : Fish and Wildlife Field Techniques
 2. Course Changes-Second Read
 - a. [BIOB 425](#) : Adv Cell & Molecular Biology
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
 - b. [BIOH 423](#) : Human Developmental Biology
 - i. Number change from 323
 - c. [LSCI 121](#) :Library Research Skills

- i. Title change from Digital Information Literacy
- d. [LSCI 470](#) : Data Ethics and Privacy
 - i. Title change from Ethics and Privacy in the Age of Big Data
- e. [PHSX 261](#) : Laboratory Electronics I
 - i. Change in credits from 3 to 4
 - ii. Changes to learning outcomes

3. Course Changes-First Read

- a. [ARCH 261](#) : Architectural Graphics I
 - i. Credit change from 3 to 2
- b. [ARCH 431](#) : Leadership in Architecture
 - i. Title change from Sustainability in Architecture
 - ii. Changes to learning outcomes
- c. [PHSX 490R](#) : Undergraduate Research
 - i. Credit change from 1-3 to 1-6
 - ii. New learning outcomes
- d. [TE 417](#) : Manufacturing Technology
 - i. Rubric change from AGTE
 - ii. New learning outcomes

4. Course Inactivations-Second Read

- a. [TPHY-MINOR](#): Minor in Physics Teaching
 - i. This minor is not attracting students and is no longer consistent with course offerings in Physics.

V. Graduate Courses and Programs

1. Course Changes-Second Read

- a. [BIOE 520](#) : Animal Biodiversity in GYE for Teachers
 - i. Title change from Animal Biodiversity in GYE
- b. [BIOE 522](#) : Birds of Prey
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
- c. [BIOE 523](#) : Wildlife Ecology
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
- d. [BIOE 593](#) : Alpine Ecology for Teachers
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
- e. [BIOE 599](#) : Winter Ecology in Yellowstone National Park
 - i. Title change from Advanced Ecology for Teachers
- f. [CHMY 595](#) : Chemistry of the Environment for Teachers
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
- g. [CHMY 597](#) : Exploring Biochemistry for Teachers
 - i. Title change from Exploring Biochemistry I for Teachers
 - ii. Changes to learning outcomes
- h. [GEO 521](#) : Dinosaur Paleontology I
 - i. Title change from Dinosaur Paleontology
- i. [LRES 582](#) : Streamside Science for Teachers
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
- j. [LRES 584](#) : Principles of Soil Science for Teachers

- i. Title change from Soil Science for Middle and High School Teachers
 - k. [MB 533](#) : Current Topics in Microbiology for Teachers
 - i. Credit change from 3 to 1
 - ii. Changes to learning outcomes
 - l. [MSSE 502](#) : Emerging Technology and the Science Classroom
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
- 2. Course Changes-First Read
 - a. [EDCI 558](#) : Methods of Teaching Secondary
 - i. Title change from Methods of Teaching Secondary 2
 - ii. Credit change from 0-3 to 5
 - b. [NUTR 560](#) : Food Systems Leadership for Nutrition Professionals
 - i. Changes to learning outcomes
- 3. Course Inactivations-Second Read
 - a. [AGED 585](#) : Laboratory Management and Teaching in Agricultural Education
 - i. Course never existed
- 4. Program Changes-Second Read
 - a. [FMCS-MS](#) : Human Development and Family Science
 - i. Title change from Family and Consumer Sciences

VI. Information Updates

- 1. New policy for Senate consideration (second read): [“Regents Professor”](#)
 - a. Questions
 - i. Multiple nominees may make it to the Regents. Can there be more than one in a given year?
 - a. Yes, there could be more than one.
 - ii. Must have five years of tenure track service.
 - a. Language is confusing. Should be someone who served at MSU for over five years in a tenure track line.
 - i. Language should be clarified.
 - iii. Workload and expected activities. Nothing talks about alternative duties that comes with this. It should be clear.
 - a. There is a stipend.
 - b. Language says, “expected activity.” Marg Hammersla will work on some alternative wording.
 - iv. How frequently do we take nominations to the Regents?
 - a. Usually one or two a year, but no one has been nominated in some time.
 - v. How many do they have at UM?
 - a. They made a nomination at the last BOR meeting. One retired last year. Not sure of the count currently.
- 2. Council Updates (University Council, Grad Council, Research Council, ...)
 - a. University Council
 - i. See slide presentation

VII. Senators' Open Conversation

1. UM has four regents professors
2. Has Nursing had any issues since the change in professional degrees?
 - a. Not an issue yet. Funding is more of an issue.
3. Faculty Senate needs to find replacement for Jim Meyer as a member of the Campus Advising and Assessment Team. He is going on sabbatical.

VIII. Public Comment

1. None

IX. Adjourn

1. Anja Kunze moves to adjourn. Tim McDermott seconds. Meeting adjourned at 3:47pm.