

End-of-Year Report FY25

59th Session of the Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

- Chairperson: Dr. Jenny Cropp
- Chairperson-elect: Dr. Jenna Moore
- Membership Chair: Dr. Joe Murphy

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee held 15 Faculty Senate meetings and met bimonthly with Interim Provost Doug Koch, Administrative Liaison.

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee would like to recognize:

- Patsy Seabaugh, former Faculty Senate Administrative Assistant, and James Guzman-Koeller, current Faculty Senate Administrative Assistant, for their work this year in keeping us organized, taking minutes, and facilitating communication. Their work is vital to the Senate's work.
- Beverly Delph, Administrative Assistant in the Department of Music, for joining us as a search committee member and lending her expertise in our search for a new administrative assistant.
- Hayley Love, Jenna Moore, and Joe Murphy for taking care of the minutes and other administrative assistant duties from October to February, while still participating in the meetings and maintaining their other responsibilities.
- The chairs and members of the legislative committees who introduced and passed through the Senate ten bills and four resolutions, exemplifying the spirit of shared governance.
- Doug Koch for taking on his new role as administrative liaison with honesty, collegiality, and a great sense of humor.
- Sophie Martin, Student Government Association Liaison, for her work in facilitating communication and collaboration between SGA and Senate.
- Mike Taylor, Faculty Senate Parliamentarian, for agreeing to take on the role and executing it so successfully this year.
- Michael Aide, Michael Bezushko, Jenny Cropp, Kelly McEnerney, Belinda McMurphy, Jenna Moore, Joseph Murphy, and David Yaskewich who each served one or more times as a representative to SGA, and Kathie Miller who served as the Fall 2024 Liaison, attending more than six meetings on behalf of Faculty Senate.
- Dayna Northington, chair of the Clerical and Technical Staff Council, and Dustin Hopkins, chair of the Professional Staff Council, for their leadership, communication, and fostering of the relationship between employee groups.

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee proposed and passed the following bills and resolutions:

- Bill 25-A-5 Restoring Section III.G. of the Grievance Procedures
- Resolution 25-1 SGA Liaison
- Resolution 25-6 In Support of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility

- Resolution 25-7 Faculty Senate Foundation Account

Committees with representation by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee include:

- Budget Review Committee: Dr. Cropp, Dr. Moore, and Dr. Murphy
- Academic Program Review Committee: Dr. Cropp and Dr. Moore
- Presidential Search Advisory Committee: Dr. Cropp
- Faculty Senate and Jane Stephens Honors Program Administrative Assistant Search Committee: Dr. Cropp and Dr. Moore
- ADA Compliance Work Group: Dr. Cropp
- HLC Committee: Dr. Cropp

The Faculty Senate Chairperson Responsibilities for Dr. Cropp included:

- Presenting Reports
 - Administrative Council – August 13, 2024; September 10, 2024; December 10, 2024
 - Council of Deans – Bimonthly
 - Board of Governors – May 17, 2024; October 4, 2024; December 13, 2024; February 28, 2025; May 9, 2025
- Meetings with President Vargas – September 4, 2024; November 6, 2024; February 18, 2025
- Participating in the Archer Readiness Assessment Meeting on the Culture at SEMO – October 16, 2024
- Participating in the Branding Study for Faculty and Chairs – October 28, 2024
- Speaking at Leadership SEMO – February 18, 2025
- Speaking at Professional Staff Council – March 19, 2025

Activities sponsored/organized by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee:

- DPS Appreciation Goodie Bags (Organized by CTS Staff Council and co-sponsored by Professional Staff Council and Faculty Senate)
- Restock the Redhawk Food Pantry
- Faculty Social Hour – November 15, 2024; April 11, 2025

The following guests were invited to present at the Faculty Senate:

- August 28, 2024 – Lydia Pobst, SGA President
- September 11, 2024 – Dr. Rich Flotron, Directory of Public Safety and Transportation
- October 9, 2024 – Dr. Debbie Below, Vice President, Enrollment Management and Student Success
- October 23, 2024 – Dr. Missy Phegley, University Assessment Coordinator
- November 6, 2024 – Dr. Chelsea McNeely, Director of Early College Programs and Online and Graduate Services
- February 5, 2025 – Dayna Northington, Clerical, Technical, Service Staff Council chair; and Dustin Hopkins, Professional Staff Council Chair
- March 5, 2025 – Lydia Pobst, SGA President; Trae Mitten, Dean of Students and Title IX Coordinator; Paul Sharpe, Dean of Kent Library

