



Minutes for Senate Meeting #6

Monday, March 3, 2025 | 3:00pm-5:00 pm

Tempe Rm	DPC Rm	West Valley	Poly Rm
EDC 117	UCENT 282	FAB S101	PICHO 152

Senators Present: (**Downtown**) Auh, Bienenstock, Billiot (SUB: Merie), DeCarolus, Goksel, Hines, Kimmons, Kizer, Kelley, Koffer, Langergraber, Lehmann, Mendoza, McMullen, Nikpour, Penkrot, Reed, Sanchez, Savaglio, Smith, Sullivan-Detheridge, Stabler, Swan, Timmermans, Trinkner, Wise

(**Polytechnic**) Garg, Hughner, Kang, Kyselka, Martinez, Pacton

(**Tempe**) Allen, Amazeen, Barnett, Boerner, Bondy, Bolton, Bos, Burgstaller, Cervený, Cooke, Dal Martello, DeCaussin, Dell'Anna, DesRoches, DeVecchio, Duran, Dybvig-Pawelko, Farrand, Fazli, Fehler, Fini, Fox, Greene, Hale (SUB: Caughman), Hanemann, Hansen, Harper, Helms-Tillery, Herckes, Janssen, Kammerlocher, Keeler, Kelley, Klein-Seetharaman, Kostelich, LeSueur, Lindsay, Lopez, Mangone, Maring, McCarville, McCarthy, McIntosh, McMullen, Mehra, Meissinger, Munir, Nian, Nannenga, Nichols, Oberle, Parvu, Paulesc, Perkins, Pfeiffer, Pinkerton, Princes, Printezis, Quinlivan, Ritter, Rojas, Smith, Schuster (SUB: Trumble), Scott, Seagrave, Stoff, Swanson, Swanson, Tait, Todd, Trichopoulos, Tsethlikai, Usman, Vogus (SUB: Deets), Voutsas, Walton-Ramirez, Welfert, Windhorst

(**West Valley**) Bolhofner, Bouscaren, Dallmus, Donovan, Frost, Parrott, Shanly, Thomas, Villegas-Silva, Zhang

Officers: (**Downtown**) Rounds, Uriri-Glover, Derk; (**Polytechnic**) Kennedy, Burel, Weiss; (**Tempe**) Bodman, Davies, Bolmarcich, Rocchi, Kawam, Vandermeer; (**West Valley**) Burleson, Pagan, King

Ex Officio: (**Tempe**) Greg Stone, Nancy Gonzales

Guests: Patricia Friedrich, Vice Provost for Academic Personnel, Colleen Cordes, Assistant Vice Provost for Career-Track Faculty

Absences: (**Downtown**) Aliste (**Polytechnic**) Key, Walsh (**Tempe**) Barnaby, Bates, Yang (**West Valley**) N/A

Call to Order

- Welcome from Senate President, Elisa Kawam
- Quorum was met with 102 members present ((Total attendance , by campus: Downtown 26 senators, 3 officers; Polytechnic 6 senators, 3 officers; Tempe 66 senators, 6 officers; West Valley 10 senators, 3 officers.)

1. Action on Minutes of February 3rd, 2024 [Senate Meeting #5 Minutes](#)
Minutes were approved.

2. UAC Chair's Report. President Kawam announced that the new Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee was now operating, and that the Research and Creative Activities Committee is working on a report regarding open access publishing. She recommended that senators look at the video of the ABOR meeting, and that they especially watch President Crow's [presentation](#). At a breakfast for Regents, ASU faculty made important presentations about ASU's programs dealing with K-12 education, teacher training, and student success. She reminded senators of the Academic Assembly meeting on March 5, and she noted that in speaking at a lunch for past senate presidents she was struck by the enormous changes that had occurred in the institution, and its resilience in dealing with these changes.

3. Report from the University President –
No report.

4. Report from the Provost of the University. Provost Gonzales focused her [report](#) on two elements of the ASU Charter: measuring its success by its inclusion and success of its students, and by advancing research that benefits “the communities it serves.” She began by noting ASU's success in dramatically expanding its student population while at the same time improving its retention and graduation rates. This was only possible, she emphasized, by the expanding number of career track faculty, especially in the last five years. What makes ASU unique is its New American University model with a second emphasis on research. Funded research at ASU has expanded prodigiously in recent years, reaching over \$1 billion for this year, and a key part of the success was in bringing in major grants of \$20 million, \$100 million, and even \$177 million. In sum, ASU is a new kind of university, with a tenured faculty producing significant research and a career track faculty adding significantly to the expansion and success of the university's teaching mission.

In response to questions about cancelling or freezing grants, the provost explained that the federal government has linked this with concerns about “indirect costs” for grants. The provost added that indirect costs cover a wide range of infrastructure expenses, including utilities, labs, and animals, and that ASU's indirect cost charges rank near the middle of university charges. The university is attentive not only to the effect on the institution, but also to the impact on faculty, and it is helping those who have lost grants. Asked about public criticism of antidiscrimination policies, the provost stated that ASU's focus is inclusive excellence, and she noted that ASU does not use race in admitting students to the university. Finally, she observed that ASU is less vulnerable to these financial concerns than some other universities because it has pursued various opportunities (such as semiconductor chip manufacturing), and that it is flexible in its financial strategy.

5. **Report from Patricia Friedrich, Vice Provost for Academic Personnel & Colleen Cordes, Assistant Vice Provost for Career-Track Faculty** made an extended presentation to the Senate on [Career Track Faculty](#). They explained that the 2,153 career track faculty (CTF) constitute half of the total ASU faculty, distributed in five tracks: 549 instructors, 722 teaching faculty, 498 clinical faculty, 189 research professors, and 195 professors of practice. These tracks have different responsibilities and workloads, and academic units vary in their employment of CTF. The numbers have increased greatly over the last five years.

The overall pattern for CTF at ASU is one of longevity: 73% have been at ASU over 6 years, 47% for 11 or more years, and roughly 600 have stayed 16 or more years. Moreover, 97% have been retained, with only 3% leaving for other jobs, retiring, or not being retained. This report also noted 10 initiatives since 2022 aimed at assisting CTF, including expanding the proportion of multi-year contracts from 15 to 30%, reclassifying lectures and instructors, establishing instructor promotion pathways, and expanding career track faculty involvement in university leadership roles. The number of CTF promotion cases has risen dramatically, with anticipated actions involving 89 teaching track, 41 clinical track, 6 research track, and 44 instructor track faculty. The vice provost also noted that promotion to full teaching professor or full clinical professor brings a multi-year contract, so that the current figure of 282 multi-year contracts will rise to 382 next year.

6. **Shared Governance**

The Senator Spotlight for this month is on [Tyler DesRoches](#), a senator from the Tempe Campus who represents the School of Sustainability. A philosopher, economist, and Founding Director of the ASU Farm, he has been at ASU for 10 years and in the Senate for one term.

7. **New Business**

a. First Reads (*These motions were presented for informational purposes only*)

i. CAPC Motions for First Reads

[Motion 2025-45](#) | Request from the New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences – *School of Social and Behavioral Sciences* – for the establishment of a graduate certificate – Social Justice and Human Rights

[Motion 2025-46](#) | Request from the Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions – *School of Criminology and Criminal Justice* – for the establishment of a graduate degree – DCJ in Criminal Justice

[Motion 2025-47](#) | Request from the New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences – *School of Mathematical and Natural Sciences* – for the establishment of an undergraduate certificate – Environmental Justice

[Motion 2025-48](#) | Request from the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts – *School of Arts, Media and Engineering* – for the establishment of an undergraduate degree – BS in Game Design

[Motion 2025-49](#) | Request from the Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering – *School of Biological and Health Systems Engineering* – for the establishment of a graduate degree – MS in Innovations in Medical and Patient Care Technologies

[Motion 2025-50](#) | Request from the Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering – *Dean's Office* – for the establishment of an undergraduate certificate – Global Engineering

[Motion 2025-51](#) | Request from the W. P. Carey School of Business – *Department of Finance* – for the establishment of an undergraduate degree – BS in Real Estate and Applied Finance

[Motion 2025-52](#) | Request from the College of Global Futures – *Dean's Office* – for the establishment of a new academic unit – School of Conservation Futures

Note: Senators having any questions or comments about these CAPC motions were urged to contact Senate President, Elisa Kawam, or CAPC Chair, Claudia Sadowski-Smith BEFORE Thursday's CAPC meeting.

ii. Other Motions for First Reads

[Motion 2025-44](#) | Revision of ACD 506-05: Review for Promotion: Fixed Term Faculty

b. Second Reads *(These items had received first reads and were brought for discussion and a vote.)*

i. New Course Proposals. *(These proposals were voted on in gross.)* [Motion 2025-43](#)

The Senate approved Motion 2025-43

Yes = 99 No = 3 Abstain = 3

ii. CAPC Motions. *(These motions were presented and voted on in gross.)*



[Motion 2025-38](#) | Request from College of Global Futures – *School of Complex Adaptive Systems* – for the name change of an undergraduate degree – From: BS in Applied Mathematics for the Life and Social Sciences – To: BS in Complexity Science

[Motion 2025-39](#) | Request from The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences – School of Politics and Global Studies – for the name change of an undergraduate certificate – From: International Studies – To: International Relations

[Motion 2025-40](#) | Request from W. P. Carey School of Business – *Department of Supply Chain Management* – for the name change of a graduate degree – From: DBA in Supply Chain Management – To: DBA in Business Administration

[Motion 2025-41](#) | Request from Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions – *School of Social Work* – for the establishment of a graduate certificate – Foundations in Gerontology

[Motion 2025-42](#) | Request from College of Health Solutions – for the establishment of a graduate certificate – Nutrition Education and Counseling

The Senate approved Motions 2025-38 to 2025-42

Yes = 105 No = 2 Abstain = 3

8. Senate Committee Reports

No reports

9. **Open Forum** A senator reported that a survey on instructional support had been emailed from the provost to faculty, and she encouraged senators to participate in the survey.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip VanderMeer, Secretary