

Minutes for AY 2021-22 Senate Meeting #2

3:00pm-5:00 pm

Senate Meeting Date: Monday, September 27, 2021

Zoom Meeting Link <https://asu.zoom.us/j/88985108471>

In person location

Tempe Rm	DPC Rm	West Rm	Poly Rm
EDC 117	UCENT 282	FAB S101	SANTN 122

Senators Present: (Downtown) Barnes, Chamberlain, Connell, Downie, Fedock, Grando, Grosse, Hill, Hrcncir, Jackson, James, Kingsbury, McCoy, Mospan, Sauber, Sharp, Smith, Todd, Uriri-Glover, Weinstein-Tull, Welch, Wilkey, Wise, Young; (Polytechnic) Brumberger, Burel, DaCosta, Garg, Kennedy, Kinach Manfredo, Westover; (Tempe), Abbaszadegan, Adamson, Aggarwal, Bang, Bolmarcich, Bolton, Burgstaller, Button, Carrese, Connor, Cortes, Dal Martello, Datta, Davies, Day, DeVecchio, Dybvig-Pawelko, Easson, Fainekos, Farrand, Fini, Fishel, Fricks, Garcia, Graham, Gumel, Haglund, Haines, Hale, Hansen, Harper, Jackson, Janssen, Justice, Kammerlocher, Kirsch, Klucsarits, Linton, Liu, Lopez, Ludlow, Maring, Maupin, McIntosh, Mehra, Meissinger, Mejia, Moore, Neuer, Pan, Perkins, Printezis, Randall, Rocchi, Ruth, Sadleir, Sailor, Samuelson, Saucier, Siroky, Smith, Stone, Swanson, Szeli, Wei Sha, Wells, Wood; (West) Dallmus, Frost, Hita, Lee, Montero-Quesada, Moon, Toth, Vogus

Officers: (Downtown) Uriri-Glover, McCoy, Sebren; (Polytechnic) Kyselka, Craig, Dolin; (Tempe) Bodman, Haglund, Neuer, Stone VanderMeer; (West) Burleson, King

Ex Officio: (Tempe) Michael Crow, Nancy Gonzales, Deborah Clarke, Elizabeth Wentz

Guests: Cassandra Aska

Absences: (Downtown) Will (Polytechnic) Moore; (Tempe), Barnaby, Mujica, Nian, Qing, Seasholes (excused), Sharp, Walton-Ramirez(excused); (West) Stantchev (excused)

1. Campus Sound Checks

2. Call to Order

- a. Welcome from Senate President, Eduardo Pagán
- b. Quorum needs met with 103 senators present.

3. Action on Minutes of August 30, 2021 Senate [Meeting #1 Minutes](#)

Minutes were approved

4. UAC Chair’s Report – Eduardo Pagán, Senate President and Chair of the University Academic Council

President Pagan began his report by recognizing the achievement of Downtown Senate President Johannah Uriri-Glover, from the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation. The American Academy of Nursing has named her one of its distinguished nurse leaders, and she was the only Arizonan to be inducted into the 2021 Class of Fellows.

Pagan praised the efforts of faculty, administration, and staff to control the spread of covid, reporting that ASU has higher vaccination rates and lower infection rates than the surrounding community. Referring to a conflict between ASU students that was making the news, he reported that the Dean of Students was working with all students involved. Finally, he reminded senators that one of the Senate's priorities was working on the LIFT initiative, and that as part of that the Senate should look at course evaluations to ensure that they do not reflect any unfairness to faculty.

5. Report from the University President

President Crow reported that the University is in excellent shape, with record enrolment from diverse sources, high levels of research activity with outside funding, and a significant increase in support for student counseling. The university continues to handle the covid situation well: random testing has produced rates under 1% positive for staff and below 2% for students, and the rates are declining. Students are excited about being able to be on campus. They and their families sacrificed considerably to be here, and their success is the university's primary goal. He also mentioned a conflict between students and explained that the administration was actively dealing with the situation, reminding all parties about the student code of conduct.

Turning to economic issues, he explained that although the university had suffered considerable economic losses due to the pandemic, especially in auxiliary services like housing, dining halls, and athletic events, it had weathered the storm and is currently in a solid financial position. As a result, a salary package has been sent to the deans and directors, for them to implement. The university is also benefiting from several new investment by the state: the New Economy program, which will support the expansion of engineering, an initiative regarding democracy, as well as other smaller programs. The university has had an active building program, including a new residence hall on the Downtown Campus, a new building with the Mayo Clinic, and a nearly completed Interdisciplinary building.

Asked about the difficulty faculty and staff face in finding affordable housing in downtown Phoenix, the President noted that ASU is working with apartment developers to create more affordable housing. While it can't offer a rental assistance program, ASU has increased the minimum wage for fulltime staff and plans to increase this to the level of a "living wage" for the area. At present, the university does not have a plan for assisting faculty, but the provost will look into this issue.

Another question involved a proposal by some students for open carry of firearms on campus.

President Crow noted that ASU includes children and adults of all ages, that having firearms on campus

is completely inappropriate, and that all Arizona university police chiefs have opposed this. The universities have successfully defeated such proposals three times in the past decade, and President Crow expects the same result in this case.

Responding to a question regarding the LIFT initiative, President Crow noted that the co-chairs had been reappointed, that there was progress on all 25 initiatives (for example, the hiring of postdocs and new faculty had been completed), and that a report would be posted soon.

[President Pagan noted that the LIFT chairs will come to next Senate meeting.]

6. Report from the Provost of the University – Nancy Gonzales, Executive Vice President and University Provost

The Provost also noted that students are excited to be on campus. Campus enrollment increased 5.4% from 2020 because of student interest, but also because of the very effective work by faculty and staff to recruit and persuade students to re-enroll. Now, with so many first-time freshman and sophomores, it is crucial to continue this personal contact to integrate them into the university. Faculty concerned with assisting this effort should talk with their directors.

A wonderful launching initiative was held for one part of the LIFT project, the presidential postdoctoral fellowships and graduate fellowships. Schools interested in participating in this program will need to apply and show how these junior scholars can be integrated into the community. In response to a question, she noted that a large proportion of the graduate fellows and some of the presidential postdocs are African American, as were over a third of the faculty candidates brought to campus.

7. Other Reports

a. Cassandra Aska, Deputy VP/Dean of Students

Dean Aska spoke about the Committee for Campus Inclusion, which she chairs. Each campus has a committee of faculty, staff, and students which is committed to advancing discussions about campus needs. They have fostered discussions about service and emotional support animals, about how to assist students who are parents, about the impact of systemic racism, about breaking the silence on sexual violence, and about the needs of the LGBTQ communities. She encouraged nominations for the annual Catalyst Award, which recognizes people at ASU who are working inclusion.

The Committee also provides guidance on advancing diversity initiatives at ASU, such as use of appropriate language and an appreciation of different celebrations and religious holidays.

8. Unfinished Business and General Orders

None

9. New Business

- a. **First Reads** (First Reads are for informational purposes only on upcoming motions for the next meeting. Senators may seek clarification on first reads, but full discussion is reserved for second reads.)

i. CAPC Motions

[Motion 2022-04](#) | Request from the Watts College of Public Service & Community Solutions - Change Academic Organization Code - Undergraduate Certificate - Cross Sector Leadership

[Motion 2022-05](#) | Request from the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences- School of Mathematical & Statistical Sciences – for the Name Change of a Graduate Certificate - From: Statistics, To: Statistics and Data Science

ii. Other Motions

[Motion 2022-06](#) | Proposed Constitutional Amendment Regarding Senate Membership

- b. **Second Reads (Unless indicated, these items have had first reads and are action items to be discussed and voted on)**

- i. **New Course proposal consent agenda distributed via email on 9-14-2021** (These courses will be voted on in gross, unless a request is made to remove a course for discussion). [Motion 2022-03](#)

Final Votes Recorded

Yes = 106 No = 0 Abstain =7

Senate Motion 2022-03 was approved

ii. CAPC Motions

[Motion 2022-02](#) | Request from the College of Integrative Sciences and Arts – for the establishment of a graduate degree – MPM in Project Management

Final Votes Recorded

Yes 103 No = 0 Abstain =7

Senate Motion 2022-02 was approved

iii. Other Motions and Resolutions

Send feedback on new business curricular proposals to the CAPC Chair, Denise Bodman at dbodman@asu.edu or Eduardo Pagán at eduardo.pagan@asu.edu

10. Senate Committee Reports

- a. Committee on Committees, Chris Kyselka Chair Ex officio
 - i. Vote to approve Senate standing committee slate (appendix B)

Final Votes Recorded

Yes 97 No = 0 Abstain = 11

Senate standing committee slate was approved

11. Open Forum (Senators may bring up issues, concerns, ask questions, make statements/announcements, share information or present topics of interest to the senate. Open Forum is not for debate or discussion).

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:08



**Appendix A
INFORMATION ITEMS
UNIVERSITY SENATE Fall 2021**

Information items that will be reviewed and voted on by CAPC at the September 30, 2021 meeting. See full CAPC agenda [here](#)

Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law

Dean's Office

Disestablishment of a Graduate Concentration

[Master of Legal Studies \(Patent Practice\)](#)

Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College

Disestablishment of a Graduate Concentration

[MEd in Special Education \(Severely/Multiply Disabled\)](#)

**Appendix B
Fall 2021
University Senate Standing Committees
New Members**

Committee on Committees

David Burel, Interdisciplinary Humanities & Communication, Polytechnic

Personnel Committee

Eva Brumberger, Interdisciplinary Humanities & Communication, Polytechnic

Carlyn Ludlow, Division Teacher Preparation, Tempe

Daniel McIntosh, Marketing, Tempe

Christopher Sharp, Social Work, Downtown

Jodi Swanson, School of Social and Family Dynamics, Tempe

Student-Faculty Policy Committee

Sarah Bolmarcich, International Letters and Cultures, Tempe

Josef Burgstaller, School of Music, Dance and Theater, Tempe

Kathleen Farrand, Division of Teacher Preparation, Tempe

Donald Frost, Accountancy, West – *1-year appointment due to senate term*

Adela Grando, Health Solutions, Downtown

Michelle Hale, American Indian Studies, Tempe

Xin Wei Sha, School of Arts, Media and Engineering, Tempe

Chad Westover, Graphic Information Technology, Polytechnic

University Services and Facilities Committee

John Dallmus, W. P. Carey School of Business, West

Philip Klucsarits, New American Film School, Tempe

Ellen Meissinger, Art, Tempe

Rosalind Sadleir, School of Biological and Health Systems Engineering, Tempe