

Glennville State University Faculty Senate – minutes

Meeting Date: March 17, 2026

Meeting Place: 319 MCCC

Meeting Time: 12:25 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. President S. Chapman called the meeting to order at 12:25 pm.
 - b. Senators in Attendance: S. Chapman, G. Lieving, S. Haynes, D. McEntire, D. Lewis, J. Bryson, M. Gildein, N. Nasserri, S. Silva, M. Sarver, S. Beatty
 - c. Administrators: M. Clements
 - d. Others in Attendance: B. Hutton, JD Carpenter
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - a. The minutes from Feb 24 are not yet available and will be sent as soon as they are ready.
- III. Reports
 - a. President – S. Chapman
 - i. Salary Compression Committee
 1. By Laws are written, need revision before approval. Meeting tomorrow.
 - ii. Elections for Department Chairs
 1. Nominations emails will be sent out to departments who are due to elect new Chairs. Social Science, Language and Literature, Business and Fine Arts
 - iii. Elections for Faculty Senators
 1. Take back to departments. Chairs will be notified that representatives to the Senate come from Departments, by vote or volunteer. First week of April
 2. At-Large Senator elections will go out in Survey Monkey in Second week of April.
 3. The hope is that New senators can attend a meeting or two before the end of this academic year
 4. Once members are determined, Faculty Senate will elect leadership.
 - iv. President's Evaluation
 1. Still seeking recommendations for questions. Due Mar 20
 - v. Contracts
 1. Delayed because there may be a raise next academic year, and contracts would include this.
 - a. Clements – There is enough money from the state to fund some raises, but not across the board. They are considering merit raises based on feedback from faculty and staff.
 - b. ACF – J. Bryson
 - i. The legislative session this year has ended
 1. Pretty dull when it came to outcomes related to higher education.
 2. One scholarship passed
 3. Additional monies from the state for GSU.
 - c. BoG – M. Gildein
 - i. March 25th in an all day finance training with Tim Henline
 1. Interested in similar training as happened in Senate
 - ii. Discussions of online vs face to face classes
 1. Should take place in department

- d. Academic Affairs – M. Clements
 - i. The legislature session is closed.
 - 1. The budget was approved for the first time fully implementing the funding formula out of eHPC.
 - 2. Gsu got the largest percentage increase of any university in West Virginia.
 - 3. We will also receive \$5,000,000 one-time for Health Sciences
 - a. Termed in the budget for nursing, which was sort of a mistake
 - b. for Health Sciences more broadly
 - c. Bulk will be used to finish building for Health Sciences building and classrooms. Reminder will be used to offset some salaries for people who are already teaching in those programs or will be hired for those programs.
 - 4. Decisions for online vs in person class attendance needs to be determined in the department.
 - a. Online students are being pushed out of online classes because on campus students are taking the seats. Therefore, these classes will be capped at 12 until 2 weeks before classes start.
 - b. Students have been doing poorly in foundational classes and could benefit from face-to-face classes.
 - c. Online students not always correctly coded. This may be corrected in the future.
 - d. Current enrollment will be for 4 semesters.
 - 5. Deans and Chairs evaluations
 - a. They have been working on those questions.
 - b. Senate may also suggest questions
 - 6. Gildein
 - a. Faculty should input on the evaluations as faculty will be evaluating Deans and Chairs
 - i. Clements – 15 questions as yet. Suggestions still being accepted.
 - b. More face-to-face options in the classes where students are struggling, less online classes.
 - i. Clements - The problem is not the number, but the number of students flocking to the online classes. Face to face classes had to be cancelled due to low enrollment. We must decide what is pedagogically best for students.
 - ii. Gildein - Perhaps standards set to allow students in online classes.
 - iii. Chapman- There is no clear method to establish this.
 - iv. Sarver- Do we have the data on the numbers of students doing poorly in online classes?
 - 1. Clements – Yes, and that will be provided to you
 - v. Sarver – For some it is the design of the classes, and the interaction. Are those professors using the Instructional Designer to help with their classes?
 - vi. Silva- Biology is not just theory. Labs are difficult online.
 - vii. Chapman- We need to move on.

IV. Old Business

- a. Auditing Courses

- i. Outline of how auditing should work, and how it will be conducted.
- ii. \$25 fee per Credit Hour
- iii. Silva – Will auditing student count towards load.
 - 1. Clements – Do not count toward load, but do count towards cap.
 - 2. Instructors can decide if they will accept auditors, or if they will give work, or grade work for auditing students.
- iv. Gildein - There are typos in the paper that need to be corrected.
- v. Sarver motioned to approve pending corrections. Silva seconded. No further discussion. No abstentions. Motion passes unanimously.

b. Senate Constitution

- i. Two versions, one must be chosen.
- ii. Says college throughout, rather than University. Needs to be corrected.
- iii. Two substantive changes
 - 1. Article 2 Section 1 letter C says the faculty representative of Glenville State University is voting member of the Senate who serves a 2 year term of office. The Senate representative is a non-voting member of the Board of Governors.
 - 2. Article 2 Section 2 letter D. Creation of immediate past-president position. A non-voting senate member for continuity.
 - 3. There is some discussion of typos and procedures in the document.
- iv. Lying motion to make corrections to typos & University corrections. Gildein seconds. No further discussion. No abstentions. Motion passes unanimously.
- v. Sarver suggests taking substantive changes back to departments for feedback.
- vi. Chapman notes he added “voting” to the 12 members of senate, so no further distinction would be needed for past president position.
 - 1. Sarver notes past president is not a member.
 - 2. Chapman agrees to send back to departments

V. New Business

- i. None

VI. Adjourn – 1:20