

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA  
Faculty Senate

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FS SpecialSession

August 25, 2021 – Zoom –

- x Prakash, Aishwarya
  - x Raczkowski, Christopher
  - x Rayner, Jonathan
  - x Rinehart, Jason
  - x Sayner, Sarah
  - x Shaw, Thomas
  - x Shepard, Beth
  - x Spencer, Edmund
  - x Swanzy, Debra
  - x Sweeney, Bob
  - x Thompson, Tara
  - x Turnipseed, David
  - x Vandewaa, Elizabeth
  - x Vrana, Laura
  - x Walker, Sean
  - x Weber, David
  - x Whitener, Brian
  - x Windham, Mike
  - x Woodmansee, Brenda
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- o Meeting called to order 3:05 pm
  
  - o New Business COVID-19 Resolution
    - x A resolution for the FS regarding COVID-19 policies was presented for a vote
      - o Call for a vote for the resolution (as is) for the FS regarding the COVID-19 Policies
      - o The FS voted and the resolution did not pass as a whole document
      - o Discussions to vote on each bullet point separately was voted on to approve each bullet point and then review the entire document for a second vote.
    - x Discussion of each individual bullet was completed with revisions made to each bullet point, and a separate vote for each bullet point was conducted:
      - o Call for a vote for bullet #1 "a vaccination mandate for eligible USA students, faculty, and staff."
      - o Call for a vote for bullet #2 "mandatory weekly COVID-19 testing for faculty, students and staff."
      - o Call for a vote for bullet #3 "adherence to CDC recommendations regarding social distancing and universal masking in classrooms and indoor public spaces."
      - o Call for a vote for bullet #4 " provide reasonable accommodation in the form of instructor choice in determining course and/or class delivery modes based on individual instructor and student circumstances."

- o Call for a vote for bullet #5 " significant and diverse faculty representation on any committees, groups, or task forces related to COVID-19 plans and policies (particularly on the University Committee for Reopening Campus where faculty are currently not represented)."
- o Call for a vote for bullet #6 "more frequent and transparent email updates on how (and why) specific COVID related policy decisions that impact the entire university community are being made."
- o Call for a vote for bullet #7 " a university-monitored system for notifying instructors of COVID-19 infected or exposed students in their classroom to ensure infectious individuals quarantine appropriately."
- o Each bullet point was passed by a majority vote of the FS
- o The Resolution was passed by a majority vote of the FS

Meeting Adjournment: MMSA 6:00 pm

Minutes transcribed by Donna Copeland