

OSU-CHS FACULTY SENATE

2025-2026

February 13, 2026 Minutes

Zoom meeting: Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Invitees: Core, Sheri; Croff, Julie; Dionne, Julie; Harp, Eric; Hartwell, Micah; Murray, Kelly; O'Brien, Matthew; Stroup, Jeff; Thai, Mark; Vazquez Sanroman, Dolores; All OSU-CHS Faculty

Attendance:

Senate members present for all or part of the meeting: Core, Sheri; Croff, Julie; Dionne, Julie; Murray, Kelly; O'Brien, Matthew; Thai, Mark

Administrator Present: Stroup, Jeff

Call to Order: The Chair, Dr. Dionne, called the meeting to order at 12:00 with a quorum.

Action Items

1. Motion to approve January meeting minutes 2026
Action: Approved
2. Motion to move forward with disassembling the Affirmative Action committee that is no longer being used, nor is it in compliance with the law.
Action: Approved
3. Motion to clean up the Faculty Senate websites to provide minutes of the Faculty Senate meetings for the previous academic year, as well as the current.
Action: Approved

Approval of Agenda: The Executive Committee met and approved the agenda.

Approval of the Minutes: motion to approve January minutes.

- Motioned by Dr. O'Brien, seconded by Dr. Thai, unanimously approved.

Administrative Reports:

- Legislative session kicked off.
- Working on documents and budget requests.
- The governor filed some executive orders that affect faculty and higher ed., which we are letting the state regents take a lead on the subject.
- Affirmative Action Committee is no longer needed since HR handles these types of things.
 - There needs to be a vote to remove it from the charter & by laws of the Faculty Senate.
 - The purpose of this change would be to cut redundancy and to be in compliance with the current laws.
 - Suggestion made to add it to the Budget & Benefit Committee
 - Suggestion to change the name of the Budget and Benefit Committee to Budget, Benefit & Hr Committee.
 - Motion by Dr. Murray to move forward with disassembling the Affirmative Action committee that is no longer being used, nor is it in compliance with the law. Dr. Thai seconded, and all approved.
 - Dr. Stroup will work with HR regarding the language that will be sent out to the faculty, and will come back to the Faculty Senate for review.

Faculty Senate President's Report:

- Audit of the Faculty Senate documents on the website.

- The Office of Academic Affairs / Provost Office has historic Faculty Senate documents stored on the G: drive.
- Dr. O'Brien motioned to clean up the Faculty Senate websites to provide minutes of the Faculty Senate meetings for the previous academic year, as well as the current. Dr. Murray seconded, all approved.

Discussion Items: None

OSU-Faculty Council Representative by Dr. Eric Harp:

- Dr. Harp provided a report that was sent out to the Senate members for review.
 - They're currently evaluating other healthcare plans outside of Blue Cross Blue Shield as a means to manage and deliver a self-funded plan.

Oklahoma State Regents Faculty Advisory Representative by Dr. Matt O'Brien: No Report.

Other Business: no other business

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Dionne, Dr. Murray seconded, unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:40p.m.