

OSU-CHS FACULTY SENATE

2025-2026

March 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 February meeting minutes 2026

Action: Approved

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

Approval of the Minutes: motion to approve February minutes.

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

Administrative Reports:

- Resolution of the Affirmative Action Committee memo was sent out for review.
 - We need the faculty to vote on this at the May General Faculty meeting.
- Gov. Stitt decreed the end of tenure in an executive order in February.
 - We are letting our Regents handle this and will update as needed.
- We are working on our 2026 -2027 budget currently.

Faculty Senate President's Report: none

Discussion Items: None

OSU-Faculty Council Representative by Dr. Eric Harp:

- EAB presentation on Gen Z, employment trends, and AI's impact on higher education
- President Hess announced the elimination of Stillwater Medical facility fees and provided legislative and infrastructure updates
- HLC accreditation forums on April 20 require a strong faculty turnout
- Council approved: Tenured faculty may pursue OSU graduate degrees with departmental approval
- Multiple committee updates, including Career Track faculty involvement, mental-health survey launch, and RPT progress

Oklahoma State Regents Faculty Advisory Representative by Dr. Matt O'Brien:

- The main topic of the meeting was a discussion regarding the Tenure bill that was passed.
- They are also letting the Regents handle this.

Other Business:

- Faculty awards due by March 20th.

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

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:09 p.m.