



Inside Faculty Senate

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SHARED GOVERNANCE...

The Purpose of the Faculty Senate is to assure faculty participation in the formulation of institutional policies and goals, in the implementation of those policies and goals, and in their evaluation.

The constituency of the Senate shall be all members of the College faculty holding professional contracts as authorized by the Board of Regents.

The Senate is composed of Academic and Administrative faculty, elected by their peers.

The Senate functions through Committees made up of CSN members, who review and develop policies.

Senate Leadership:

Chair: Sondra Cosgrove

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Chair-Elect: Mark Rauls

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Past Chair: Judy Stewart

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Virginia McRoyal

Admin. Assistant

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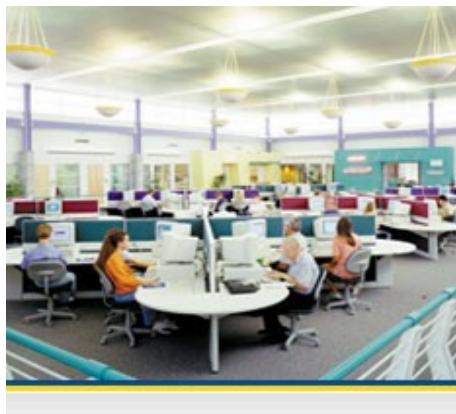
Faculty Senate Webpage:
<http://www.csn.edu/pages/347.asp>

Meeting dates and information
Pending Policies
Committees
Bylaws
Volunteer Opportunities

Approved Policies
<http://www.csn.edu/pages/1722.asp>

2008 -2009 Senate Membership:

- Jennifer Basquiat-A&L
- Kim Brown-Admin. Fac.
- Steve Knowalow-A&L
- Laura McBride-A&L
- Eric Moreau-A&L
- Patrick Quinn-A&L
- Jodie Mandel-A&L
- Robb Bay-BHP
- Bob Aberle-BHP
- Bob Gutschick-BHP
- Terry Pippin-BHP
- Ken Bettita-Coun.
- Deborah Mzhickteno-Coun.
- Melissa Schalles-HS
- Heidi Schneider-HS
- Tracy Sherman-HS
- Susan Scheublein-HS
- Judy Scott-HS
- Paul Grennell-Lib.
- Lynn Best-Lib.
- Tom Finneran-AAT
- Mike Connolly-AAT
- Joe Miller-AAT
- Sandra Kingma-AAT
- Bert Chiasson-M&S
- Patrick Villa-M&S
- Joel Johnson-M&S
- Chuck Milne-M&S
- Sue Blizard-M&S
- Joshua Levin-EBSS
- De Anna Beachley-EBSS
- Shari Lyman-EBSS
- Diana Anson-EBSS



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Senate Updates
[Dec. Meeting Draft Minutes and Documents](#)

Budget News

The NV Legislature met in special session Monday Dec. 8th to address worsening economic forecasts. Fortunately, further cuts to higher education for this fiscal year were not included in the solutions to the state's budget problems.

On Friday Dec. 12th the Board of Regents met to discuss a methodology to guide the Governor if he decides to cut the System's 2009-2011 budget. The methodology passed. Please read this annotated explanation of the Board's actions for more information and clarification.

[Notes from the Dec. 12th Special Board of Regents Meeting.](#)

Benefits Update

Dr. Shari Lyman, Dr. Candace Kant, Dr. Carolyn Collins, and Professor Judy Stewart attended the last Sage Commission hearing on Dec. 4th. Dr. Lyman read her meeting notes into the [Senate minutes](#).

HR Director John Mueller sent out information last week:

[PEPB Update](#)

Student Government

Student Government has been very busy this past semester and has lots planned for Spring.

Recycling Update: Bins have been delivered and the final details with Republic Services for pickup of the recyclable items are being negotiated.

Book Exchange Update: (Known as the csu book exchange or CBX for short) is on the test server going through final bug testing and should be operational by January.

West Charleston B-building Lobby Renovation: Starting spring semester Student Government will be working on renovating the B building lobby including new furniture and student lounge upgrades.

Save Nevada Students Rally - January 22nd, 6pm. Held in front of the UNLV student union at the academic mall. The focus of the event is to educate students, faculty, and community members on budget cut information, provide a summary of the Governor's State of the State address, and to motivate people to write letters or otherwise communicate their support of education to state legislators.

Angel Migration

Due to some unforeseen circumstances there have been a few delays and some glitches in the migration to the Angel LMS. Rest assured, however, that plans are still on track to have all Spring online courses offered in Angel. The Office of eLearning is handling this herculean task deftly and is adapting as quickly as possible to make this endeavor a success.

Policy Updates

The Academic Standards Committee submitted its report on faculty living out of state to Senate.

Welfare and Salary and Benefits will receive a similar request beginning with the Spring Semester.

Senate should have enough data to compile a thorough report and then recommendations on this issue by April.

Senate is currently reviewing changes to the Minor Children on Campus Policy, the Textbook Policy (to include electronic textbooks), and the Course Syllabus Policy (to include language about students waiting when an instructor is late).

USEFUL TIPS AND INFORMATION

The new issue of Academe contains articles on the status of contingent faculty:

<http://www.aaup.org/AAUP/pubsres/academe/>

Communicating with our Leaders:

With the elections over state officials are gearing up for the Feb. 2nd start date of the 2009 legislature. If you are so inclined, please try to contact your legislative representatives as well as members of the Board of Regents to express your feelings as a public employee and member of NSEH.

We can serve as ambassadors for CSN by providing needed information for our elected officials.

How to find and contact your legislators:

<http://mapserve.leg.state.nv.us/website/lcb/viewer.htm>

General legislative information is located here:

<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/>

Contacting the Governor & Access the SAGE Commission's Memos:

<http://gov.state.nv.us/>

Contacting the Regents:

<http://system.nevada.edu/Board-of-R/Bios/index.htm>