

Executive Committee Minutes*Tuesday, December 2, 2025, 3:00 pm**Approved: January 27, 2026***Executive Session: 3:00 – 3:15 pm – Administrative appointment****Call to Order:** 3:17 pm

Roll Call: Mary Breunig, Mae Chaplin, Angela Clark, Sharon Furtak, Amber Gonzalez; Hogan Hayes; Carolyn Gibbs, Sheree Meyer, Antonia Peigahi, Lina Rincon, Andrea Terry

Open Forum:

- Graduate Student Advisory Council Concerns:
 - Downtown Campus Vending Machines: The vending machines are not functioning. Dianne Hyson responded that the issue is known and that they are working with the vendor to repair and maintain the machines, including exploring the addition of coffee options.
 - The Council questioned whether there is a plan to merge the Office of Graduate Studies (OGS) and the Office of Undergraduate Studies (UG).
- Live on Campus Policy: How will the policy be enforced? Specifically, will the policy be enforced through registration holds?
- The WPJ casual worker position is still open.
- It was shared that there are ongoing issues with automated processes that support activities such as paying research stipends, processing travel, and hiring students. In addition, there is no help desk support available. These system issues have also affected student's application process.
- Tahoe Hall elevator: Tahoe Hall Elevator: It was shared that although the elevator had recently been repaired, it broke down again today, temporarily trapping an individual inside for approximately 15 minutes.
- A request for a taskforce be established, with representatives from every college, to address changes regarding NVivo and other programs. The Chair shared that a taskforce is not needed as those responsibilities would fall under the Senate Academic Information Technology Committee (AITC). The committee membership includes IRT representation: VP Mark Hendricks, AVP Peggy Kay, and Academic Technology Services Director, Matt Kay. AITC is responsible for addressing changes and reporting out.

Approval of the Agenda: The agenda was amended as follows. The agenda as amended was approved.

- 1) Placed after From the Provost: Draft February 5, 2026, Senate agenda
- 2) Placed at the end of the agenda: Sabbatical leave processes, timing of sabbatical notifications, and modification of forms.

Minutes: Nov 18 and Nov 25, 2025: *Carried.*

From the Chair:

- Executive Committee will meet, via Zoom, on Jan 27, 2026, for program proposal review.

From the Provost:

- OGS and UGS Open Forum Item: The Provost stated that there has been no discussion about a merger.

Draft February 5, 2026: Approved.

Program Proposals

The following proposals will be placed on the December 5 Senate agenda on Consent Action.

Non-Degree Amended Programs

<u>EX 25/26-53</u>	Certificate in Non-Profit and Community Management
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New Programs

<u>EX 25/26-58</u>	Minor in Public Health
<u>EX 25/26-67</u>	Minor in Entrepreneurship
<u>EX 25/26-71</u>	Minor in Child Life

Amended Programs

<u>EX 25/26-50</u>	MS in Financial Analytics
<u>EX 25/26-51</u>	Minor in Non-Profit and Community Management
<u>EX 25/26-52</u>	Minor in Sport and Recreation Management
<u>EX 25/26-54</u>	BA in Sport and Recreation Management
<u>EX 25/26-55</u>	Doctor of Audiology
<u>EX 25/26-56</u>	Minor in Park and Outdoor Recreation Management
<u>EX 25/26-60</u>	BS in Gerontology
<u>EX 25/26-61</u>	Minor in Gerontology
<u>EX 25/26-62</u>	BS in Women's and Gender Studies
<u>EX 25/26-63</u>	Minor in Mathematics
<u>EX 25/26-64</u>	Minor in Statistics
<u>EX 25/26-65</u>	MS in Applied Behavior Analysis
<u>EX 25/26-66</u>	BS in Fashion Merchandising and Management
<u>EX 25/26-68</u>	BS in Geology (Environmental Geology)
<u>EX 25/26-69</u>	Minor in Fashion Merchandising and Management

Carried.

The following proposals will be rolled back to the Curriculum Subcommittee.

- EX 25/26-72 Minor in Audiology Motion: Roll back for consultation: Child and Adolescent faculty. *Carried.*

- EX 25/26-73 Blended BS/MS in Computer Science – Motion: Roll back to include the course program requirements. *Carried.*

Discussion: Additional proposed change to the Senate membership:

The committee discussed the request from the University Staff Association (USA) to add to the Senate membership one staff representative, as a non-voting member. The University Staff Assembly would choose the representative.

Motion: To amend the Constitution to add one member of University Staff Association, as a non-voting member, chosen by, and in a manner determined by, the University Staff Assembly. The item will be placed on a future Senate agenda. *Carried unanimously and endorsed by the Executive Committee.*

Sabbatical leave process/timeline: It was noted that some faculty have been notified of sabbatical denials too late in the process, making it difficult to proceed in a timely manner. As a result, Fulbright Scholars and others have lost opportunities due to the lengthy review and notification timeline. In the last two years, faculty were notified as late as March, which was considered too late to allow adequate planning. Academic Affairs is currently reviewing the Sabbatical policy and process to address these concerns.

Adjourned: 5:05 pm