

6 June 2025

**TO:** **Faculty Senate Executive Board:** Osama Abudayyeh, Kimberly Buchholz, Anthony DeFulio, Kieran Fogarty, Wanda Hadley, Janet Hahn, David Rudge, C. Dennis Simpson, Laura Teichert  
**Parliamentarian:** Decker Hains  
**FROM:** Amy Naugle, Faculty Senate President

**Executive Board  
AGENDA**

13 June 2025, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Ellsworth Hall-room 3201

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1. **Acceptance of the Agenda**
2. **Approval of Minutes**
  - a. Executive Board Minutes of 28 April 2025
3. **Reports of Officers**
  - a. President Amy Naugle
  - b. Vice President C. Dennis Simpson
4. **New Business**
  - a. Emerging Scholar Award Committee Representative – Naugle  
<https://wmich.edu/facultydevelopment/awards/emergingfacultyscholar>
  - b. Retreat Planning – Naugle
  - c. Chair Training Planning (Sept. 5, 2025) – Naugle
5. **Unfinished Business**
6. **Reports of Councils and Committees**
  - a. Academic and Information Technology Council – Fogarty
  - b. Campus Planning and Finance Council – Abudayyeh
7. **Announcements**
8. **Adjournment**

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**Upcoming Agenda Items:**

- WMU President (TBD) •

**Memoranda of Action – Upcoming**

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**WMU Faculty Senate 2024-26 Action Plan Objectives**

**1. Faculty engagement**

Tasks:

- Create a New Senator orientation (include at Oct. Senate meeting)
- Regularly attend Academic Forum
- Create talking points for PR tours
  - Include 2024-26 objectives
- Department PR tours (5-10 min at department faculty meetings)
- Communication and dissemination of MOAs
  - Where to find MOAs
  - How MOAs work

- Remind Senators of their role
- Timelines: 2024-26 academic years  
EB Lead: Naugle and Simpson

## 2. **Artificial intelligence**

### Tasks:

- Disseminate Ad Hoc Artificial Intelligence Committee final report across campus
- Ad Hoc Artificial Intelligence Committee chair provide report at Oct Senate meeting
- Determine how Ad Hoc Artificial Intelligence Committee report initiatives should be developed and implemented
  - Create AITC charge(s)
  - Create AI focused charge(s) for other councils
- Confirm Provost's next steps (Naugle and Simpson)

Timelines: fall 2024

EB Lead: Fogarty

## 3. **Senate interactions with the WMU Board of Trustees**

### Tasks:

- Communicate initiative/objective to the Secretary to the BOT (Schuemann)
  - Establish individual meetings between Senate President and BOT Chair
  - Invite BOT to Executive Board meetings
  - Develop expected outcome(s)
- Explore the best method to engage BOT and utilize Senate President and BOT Chair meetings
  - Inform BOT of Senate objectives
- Coordinate WMU President and Provost Senate appraisals

Timelines: fall 2024

EB Lead: Naugle

## 4. **University identity/direction (morale)**

### Tasks:

- Faculty survey regarding Senate initiatives
  - Create survey instrument (fall 2024)
  - Determine survey timeline (spring 2025)
  - Distribute findings
- Showcase WMU strategic plan in relation to the Senate
  - Senate President highlight one goal of WMU strategic plan at each Senate meeting
  - Influence WMU President and Provost Senate meeting comments to include strategic plan goal(s) (Naugle and Simpson)

Timelines: 2024-25 academic year

EB Lead: Hahn and Naugle

## 5. **Address value of higher education**

### Tasks:

- Conversations with shared governance partners (BOT, WSA, GSA) about value of WMU and higher education
- Create an Ad Hoc Committee and/or charges for councils

Timelines:

EB Lead:

## 6. **Review and determine need for change/removal of instance(s) that the Faculty Senate is included in the AAUP Agreement**

### Tasks:

- Create Ad Hoc AAUP Agreement Review Committee (DeFulio, Hains, Rudge, Simpson)
- Determine need for change/removal of instance(s) that the Faculty Senate is included in the AAUP Agreement
- Draft new AAUP Agreement language
- Determine administration support of change/removal of instance(s) that the Faculty Senate is included in the AAUP Agreement
- Communicate need for change/removal with BOT and administration
- Communicate need for change/removal with AAUP
- Draft Memorandum of Understanding to establish Faculty Senate President compensation with the provost office

Timelines: 2024-26 academic years

EB Lead: Rudge