



Senate Snapshot

Faculty Senate Nov. 5, 2020 Virtual Meeting

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- Mathew Mingus has been elected to the Faculty Senate Executive Board. The vote of the WMU faculty to approve the Faculty Senate Constitutional amendments passed. The University GRE requirement for doctoral programs is temporarily suspended; individual programs can still require the GRE.
- Maira Bundza, David Reinhold, and Susan Stapleton received Faculty Senate Resolutions acknowledging their service to the Faculty Senate.
- The Faculty Senate finalized a [presentation](#) to recognize the 33 faculty who retired in 2019-20, which may be viewed at the Faculty Senate website under Annual Events.
- There was a call for faculty to serve the [Academic Integrity Hearing Panel](#) and the [Grade Appeal Program Dismissal Appeal](#) Panel. These panels are critical to the functioning of the University and are supported by the Faculty Senate Professional Concerns Committee. Faculty interested in serving can learn more or volunteer by contacting [Nicole Allbee](#), Director for Student Conduct, or [Kathy Mitchell](#), University Ombudsman. [MOA-20/05](#): Creation of Faculty Engagement in Fundraising and Development Activities was approved by the Faculty Senate and will be sent on for approval by the administration.
- A presentation was delivered to the Senate regarding two new tools for promoting well-being at Western. These tools are designed to promote mental and physical health and are available to all students, staff, and faculty. Follow the links to learn more about [You at Western](#) and [WellTrack](#).