**Faculty Caucus Meeting Agenda**

**Wednesday, January 22, 2025**

**Immediately Following the Academic Senate Meeting**

***Call to Order***

Chairperson Horst called the meeting to order.

***Roll Call***

Senator Cline called the roll and declared quorum.

***Public Comment: All speakers must sign in with the Senate Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.***

None.

Chairperson Horst: I wanted to let you know that I have an approved year-long sabbatical for next year. It will allow me to focus on my research and teaching, so I do not intend to run for the senate next year. I have been on the senate since 2010 and this is my fourth year as chair. It has been a wonderful experience, particularly being chair of the senate. It has really been a highlight of my career, but I intend to focus more exclusively on my research. Senator Cline is also due congratulations. She will be taking a sabbatical and she also will be stepping off of the senate. There are also some additional Faculty Executive Committee members who have indicated to the Senate Office that they wish to stop serving on the Senate. I want to encourage the Faculty Caucus in this room to start conversations amongst yourselves regarding who will be your next leaders. On April 23rd you all will need to nominate somebody who is either currently serving on the senate, or who will be elected to serve on the senate. Somebody who is elected to serve on the senate next year and goes to the meeting on April 23rd may be nominated for a leadership position. Department and school chairs may serve on the Executive Committee or as secretary, but they may not serve as chair. I would be happy to meet with anyone who is interested in hearing more about what is involved in being senate chair or secretary or being a member of the Executive Committee. I am happy to do that in the next couple weeks, please just email me.

There are a number of open seats on the senate and there are a lot of elections coming up. If you have a colleague who you think might be interested in a leadership role, I encourage you to contact them and I would be happy to meet with them as well.

In addition, the URC has passed some proposed ASPT changes. That proposal has been forwarded to the Faculty Affairs Committee. In the next few weeks, I anticipate this proposal will be forwarded to the Faculty Caucus for review. Since we are not quite sure about the timeline, the Faculty Caucus Executive Committee is requesting that additional potential meetings be added to the Faculty Caucus calendar. This does not mean that we will have all of those meetings, we just need to set up a potential tentative schedule. If we have no ASPT to review, we will simply cancel that, but that is the reason that we submitted a modified Faculty Caucus and Faculty Caucus Executive Committee Schedule.

***Approval of the minutes of*** [***12-11-2024***](https://illinoisstateuniversity.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/sites/AcademicSenate/Academic%20Senate%20Sharepoint/SUB%20-%20Faculty%20Caucus/Faculty%20Caucus%20Packets%2024-25/2025.01.22/Linked%20Items/mch-Minutes%20-%20Faculty%20Caucus%202024.12.11.docx?d=w8b46b38473c8454cbf343a5e4768268a&csf=1&web=1&e=ACYMD8)

Motion by Senator Nikolaou.

Second by Senator Godwyll.

Unanimous approval.

***Presentation:***

***Faculty Caucus and Faculty Caucus Exec schedule adjustment***

[***Link to modified FC Exec schedule***](https://illinoisstateuniversity.sharepoint.com/:x:/r/sites/AcademicSenate/Academic%20Senate%20Sharepoint/SUB%20-%20Faculty%20Caucus%20Executive%20Committee/2025.01.13/Linked%20Documents/Modified%20FC%20Executive%20Calendar%2024-25.xlsx?d=w83e3b0abaf13466eb88110a281673eac&csf=1&web=1&e=6ZfdZB)

[***Link to modified FC schedule***](https://illinoisstateuniversity.sharepoint.com/:x:/r/sites/AcademicSenate/Academic%20Senate%20Sharepoint/SUB%20-%20Faculty%20Caucus%20Executive%20Committee/2025.01.13/Linked%20Documents/Modified%20FC%20Calendar%2024-25.xlsx?d=w7809d1cbb06745daa696b70e57983291&csf=1&web=1&e=uClPIg)

Chairperson Horst: The Faculty Caucus Exec is proposing that we will edit our Executive Committee Schedule to include potential Faculty Caucus Executive Committee meetings on January 7, February 24, and March 31, and also, we are proposing to amend this to include Faculty Caucus meetings on February 5, March 5, and April 9.

Senator Lucey: This is for 2025, correct?

Chairperson Horst: Yes. We are amending the Academic Senate meeting schedule, but the Executive Committee thought it appropriate that the Faculty Caucus amend its own calendar.

Motion to move to action by Senator Lucey.

Second by Senator McHale.

Unanimous approval.

Motion to approve by Senator Werner-Powell.

Second by Senator Peters.

Unanimous approval.

***Potential Elections for other External and Associated Committees***

***Election of 1 Faculty Member to Academic Planning Committee***

* ***Dr. Susie Watkins, Associate Professor, MCN 24-25 (replacing Erin Reitz 23-25)***

Dr. Watkins was unanimously elected to the Academic Planning Committee.

***Adjournment***

Motion by Senator Schmeiser.

Second by Senator McHale.

Unanimous approval.