OTC Faculty Senate

meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 16, 2021

4:00 PM

**Meeting Facilitator:** Ms. Kristy Conner (President)

**Officers Present:** Dr. Trisha White (Vice President), Mr. Andrew Crocker (Treasurer), Mr. Craig Granger (Communications), Mr. Ross Lowrance (Secretary)

**Faculty Senators Present:** Dr. Daniela Brink, Mr. Peris Carr, Mr. Jared Durden, Mr. David Fotopulos, Ms. Sarah Gamble, Ms. Shelby Gannott, Mr. Jeff Kulback, Ms. Tracie Liska, Mr. John Spear

**Faculty Senators Absent:** Dr. Morgan Presley, Ms. Deborah Stinnett

**Special Invitees:** Calie Holden, Dr. Aaron Light

1. Call to Order at 16:00
2. Welcoming of new Senators and Special Invitees [16:00]
3. Reading and Approval of May 2021 Minutes
	* Minutes from May 2021 were unavailable at meeting time; approval via email or at the October 2021 meeting will be utilized instead
4. Program
	* Introduction of new Dean of Health Sciences – Dr. Aaron Light [16:05]
	* Strategic Plan Update – Ms. Calie Holden [16:07]
		+ [Presentation](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/file/D436C6DF-DD4D-4DA5-9551-455A1B1CCFCD?tenantId=deb7ba76-72fc-4c07-833f-1628b5e92168&fileType=pdf&objectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fotc0.sharepoint.com%2Fsites%2FFacultySenateExecutiveCouncilTeam%2FShared%20Documents%2FGeneral%2FSP%20Progress%20Report%202021%20WEB.pdf&baseUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fotc0.sharepoint.com%2Fsites%2FFacultySenateExecutiveCouncilTeam&serviceName=teams&threadId=19:503098af183b496fa877af0dc2075996@thread.tacv2&groupId=f46defc2-80e0-4fd3-a46c-d6665573c0fb)
5. Reports
	* Treasurer’s Report – Mr. Andrew Crocker [16:17]
		+ No update
	* Council Reports from Committees (Academics, Strategic Planning, Student Affairs) [16:19]
		+ See Item III
6. New Business
	* Discussion regarding evening class resources [16:21]
		+ Contact Ms. Marcia Wheeler concerning the creation of an Adjunct portal similar to [Faculty Links & Resources - Academic Affairs (otc.edu)](https://academics.otc.edu/faculty-links-resources/)
		+ President Conner will research this issue and report back in October
		+ Oki Haas and team have offered extended HR hours due to this conversation (highlighted times reflect changes)

Monday:      8 am – 5:30 pm

Tuesday – Thursday:       8 am – 5 pm

Friday:         7:30 am – 4:30 pm

* + Discussion regarding credit hours vs. clock hours vs. actual class time [16:33]
		- Counting breaks into total classtime
		- President Conner contacted Dr. McGrady, who responded with the following:
			1. There is “wiggle room”—she has met with Department Chairs to discuss this and will discuss it with any other Chairs who wish to
			2. Link from Dr. McGrady [Inquiry about Credit Hours](https://otc0.sharepoint.com/sites/FacultySenateTeam/Shared%20Documents/General/Inquiry%20about%20Credit%20Hours%20and%20Class%20Times.msg)
1. Adjournment ay 17:00