FACULTY COUNCIL MEETING

**3:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 14, 2025**

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**AGENDA**

1. Roll call
2. Approval of the September 9, 2025 minutes
3. Approval of agenda
4. Special reports

A. Susan Bain: Director of Benefits, OSU Human Resources

1. President’s report and comments on matters of interest to the faculty
2. Provost’s report on recommendations made by the Faculty Council and comments on matters of interest to the faculty
3. Vice Presidents’ reports and comments on matters of interest to the faculty
4. Faculty Council Chair’s report
5. Reports of liaison representatives
   1. **Emeriti – Tom Royer**

Carolyn Gang opened the September dinner. Membership reported the addition of nine new members. The dinner was attended by 90 people. We hosted Dr Jamey Jacob, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Aerospace Institute for Research and Education, who provided an interesting program about drones and OSU’s involvement with the drone program.

Upcoming programs include the November 3 evening dinner in which we will host Dr. Robert Graalman, the December 1 dinner will host the Stillwater High School Choir for the Holiday Program, and the February 2 dinner will host Bob Burke “One Lucky Cowboy-Behind the Scenes, followed by a book signing by Burns Hargis.

Finally, we encourage any emeriti from OSU to consider joining the Emeriti Association. Membership offers an opportunity to socialize with other emeriti.

Web: <https://emeriti.okstate.edu/>

* 1. **Staff Advisory Council – Kimberly Meints**

"Thanks to everyone who helped spread the word about SAC's Distinguished Service Award. We'll be announcing a Save the Date in the next few weeks which we will share with you. If you have staff that you would like to highlight for recognition, we also accept nominations for Star Awards year-round.

SAC recently launched a new tool for all members of the OSU community. It is a SharePoint site called Caregiving Resources. Information on the site is divided into two categories: the caregiver's role on campus and the age of the person for whom they are providing care. This site was developed with input from faculty, including the Faculty Council for Gender Equity. Please feel free to take a look and provide further suggestions. The web address is [http://caregiving.okstate.edu](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fcaregiving.okstate.edu%2F&data=05%7C02%7Ctricia.white%40okstate.edu%7C7fa072cd320e45be09b408de0a643cec%7C2a69c91de8494e34a230cdf8b27e1964%7C0%7C0%7C638959622784202881%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2Fd5Wcz0ZKDJ6gSG5VBMWVtM8Xb4CEll6stgOcOJYAW8%3D&reserved=0)."

* 1. **Graduate Council – Veronique Lacombe**

*Graduate student enrollment* – OSU has a record enrollment of graduate students for Fall 2025 of 6,333 across all campuses, with 29% increase at CHS. New graduate student enrollment in online-only programs has increased by 255%. International student applications were increased by 2% in Fall 2025 compared to Fall 2024.

*ITA Exam* – Deans of each College have agreed to fund ITA Exam fees for their students.

*Duolingo* has been approved as a test of English proficiency by the Board of Regents. This is a pilot program.

*FA25 Graduate Faculty Meetings* - The General Graduate Faculty Meeting will be held on Friday, Oct. 17, at 1:30 p.m. Zoom link is available in the Graduate College Monday memo. Subject Matter Group meetings will follow.

*Academic Program Committee (APC):* the following program changes were approved through the APC expedited review process.

Name change and course modifications to better align with current discipline and industry standards:

HEALTH, RECREATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE: HEALTH AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE, PHD

HEALTH, RECREATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE: RECREATION SERVICES, PHD

Course changes to meet industry needs:

MS-MIS: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS, MS

MS-MIS-BDA: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS: BIGDATA ANALYTICS, MS

MS-MIS-CYBR: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS: CYBERSECURITY, MS

MS-MIS-HLTA: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS: HEALTH ANALYTICS, MS

PHD-BADM-EXRS: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: EXECUTIVERESEARCH, PHD

PHD-BADM-MGMT: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: MANAGEMENT, PHD

* 1. **Student Government Association – Sam Hiltz**

SGA sent 5 students to the Big 12 Student Government Conference at West Virginia University this past week.

SGA will be announcing the guest speaker for Speakers Board within the next few weeks.

The SGA President and Vice President held their first Presidential Town Hall on September 30th and will be held monthly with the next being October 30th.

* 1. **Graduate & Professional Student Government Association – Marcia Sun**

**General Assembly Meetings Reminder – Fall 2025**

* Third General Assembly Meeting
  + Wednesday, October 29th, 5:30pm, SSH 035

**GPSGA Assistance/Grant/Fund Information – Fall 2025**

**GPSGA Travel Assistance Application**

* Application period: **August 18 – October 31**
* Exception Application period: **November 1 – November 30**
* Post Meeting/Conference Report due: **October 31, 2025 – January 15, 2026**
* Application materials and instructions will be available on the [GPSGA Canvas page](https://canvas.okstate.edu/courses/84470/pages/gpsga-travel-assistance-information?module_item_id=1952508).
* All award recipients must submit their **Post Meeting/Conference Report** between **October 31, 2025**, and **January 15, 2026**.

**GPSGA Membership Application – Fall 2025**

All new and returning [representatives](https://canvas.okstate.edu/courses/84470/files/20636999?module_item_id=5965904) and [liaisons](https://canvas.okstate.edu/courses/84470/files/20637121?module_item_id=5965917) from graduate and professional student organizations and departments are required to complete the GPSGA Membership Application Form. The assigned committee list will be posted via Canvas.

**GPSGA’s Group at Into the Streets: Volunteer with GPSGA!**

Join GPSGA’s group for Into the Streets, OSU’s largest annual community service event organized by Campus Life on Saturday, Oct. 25 to connect with the Stillwater community. To volunteer with GPSGA, register at [this link](https://campuslife.okstate.edu/student-volunteer-center/into-the-streets/volunteers.html) using group code G1234.

1. Reports of standing and special committees –
   1. Academic Standards and Policies: John Michael Riley –
   2. Access and Community Impact: Aimee Parkison –
   3. Athletic, Health and Wellness: Jill Joyce –
   4. Budget: Merle Eisenberg –
   5. Campus Facilities, Safety, and Security: Jentre Olsen –
   6. Career Track: Jennifer Glenn/Mark Pranger –
   7. Faculty: Joe Haley –
   8. Long-Range Planning and Information Technology: Melanie Boileau –
   9. Research: Jared Fitzgerald –
   10. Retirement & Fringe Benefits: Mark Weiser –
   11. Rules and Procedures: Christopher Crick –
   12. Student Affairs and Learning Resources: William McGlynn –
   13. Special Committee on Faculty Governance: Mark Weiser –
2. Unfinished business
3. New business
4. Adjournment