

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA
Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee- President's Council
Aug. 15, 2024, 3:00 p.m.
MCOB 101
MINUTES

Present for FS Executive Committee: Christina Wassenaar (presiding), Bret Webb, Vicki Tate, Donna Streeter, Michael Black, Clay Davidson, Yvette Getch, Marie Migaud (Z), Sinéad Ni Chadhain, Andrei Pavelescu, David Turnipseed (Z), Laura Vrana, and Sean Walker (Z).

Present for President's Council: Jo Bonner, Andi Kent, Charlie Guest, Nick Lawkis, Jim Berscheidt, Michael Mitchell, Peter Susman, Michael Chambers, Buck Kelley, Kristin Dukes, Joel Erdmann, and Joél Billingsley.

New Business -- Problems with JagPack access to class textbooks

Chris Cleveland (Assoc. VP for Auxiliary Services) introduced Noah Channell, bookstore general manager, who addressed the problem.

Also
MyLab Math, do not work well because of the access codes.
the student access not being available until the first day of
students should not have to wait until the 1

st day of classes to
see if there is an access problem. Access should be turned on a few days before
classes.

Old Business – Status of the Search for Dean of Engineering

At this point in time Academic Affairs could not divulge the name of the person who will be the new Dean of engineering, but did acknowledge that an offer has been extended. So, it is going through the process. There is an expectation that enrollment will be seeing a big growth in the College of Engineering. One reason being is that there will be a new aerospace engineering undergraduate degree starting this fall.

New Business – Status of DEI programs on campus

Joél Billingsley and Nick Lawkis have been working for months on compliance to the new law. The Office of Diversity and Inclusion has closed. Joél's position has returned to the Office of Community Engagement. Compliance to the law needs to be done by October 1st