



Northeastern University

Office of the Faculty Senate

TO: All Full-time Faculty Members
FROM: Faculty Senate Agenda Committee
SUBJECT: Faculty Senate Meeting

The fourth meeting of the Sixtieth Faculty Senate will be:

Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Time: 11:45 AM to 1:25 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING via TEAMS

Please note, the meeting will be recorded for the purpose of taking notes.

All Senators and Appointed Administrators have been sent an invite.

For others who wish to participate, please email: FacultySenate@neu.edu.

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

- A. Approval of the 8/31/2020 minutes
- B. SAC Report (Professor Erdogmus)
- C. Provost's Report (Provost Madigan)
- D. Questions and Discussion

II. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution on evaluation of teaching performance during the COVID-19 pandemic and its use in merit, tenure, or promotion considerations (Professor Gonyeau)

Whereas irregularities due to introduction of NUflex, complete transition to Canvas, and continuing pandemic circumstances impacting life and work conditions of faculty and students result in disruption to teaching and learning conditions,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate recommend that the provost and deans consider these irregularities in the fall 2020 term and recognize the faculty effort required to overcome these unexpected and uncontrollable circumstances in the evaluation of teaching performance that is utilized for merit, tenure, and/or promotion considerations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that also considering resolution #25 by the 2019-20 senate, teaching evaluations for the entire 2020 calendar year take into account the challenging conditions under which instruction and learning took place.

Reminder: Resolution #25 from Faculty Senate 2019-2020

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate recommend that the provost and deans consider the irregularity of the spring/summer 2020 terms and recognize the faculty effort required for the unexpected transition from on-ground to remote instruction in the evaluation of teaching performance that is utilized for merit, tenure, and/or promotion considerations.