

Faculty Senate Meeting

April 22, 2026

Agenda and SAC Report

Agenda

Routine Business

1. Approval of April 8, 2026, Meeting Minutes
2. SAC Report
 - Professor Dee Spencer (DMSB)
3. Provost's Report
 - Provost Beth Winkelstein
4. Questions and Discussion
5. Senate Distinguished Service Award

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Curriculum Item

1. Academic Proposal: University Graduate Curriculum Committee Program in the College of Arts, Media and Design (Professor Sivak).

- BE IT RESOLVED that the University establish the Master of Science in Design, MS in the College of Arts, Media and Design, approved by the University Graduate Curriculum Committee 25 March, 2026 (13-2-4).

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Presentation

Senate Agenda Committee

- Professor Adeel Bhutta, Khoury
- Professor Michelle Carr, CAMD
- Professor Peter Desnoyers, Khoury
- Professor Heidi Kevoe-Feldman, CAMD - Senate Secretary
- Professor Cecelia Musselman, CSSH
- Professor Dee Spencer, DMSB - Senate Chair

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TRACE Committee

- Professor Amy Bryzgel, CAMD
- Professor Mike Gonyeau, BCHS
- Professor Steve Lustig, COE - Chair
- Professor Talia Vestri, CSSH
- Professor Susan Wang, MCNU
- Professor Joanna Weaver, COS

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Academic Policy Committee

- Professor Jacques Alexis, CPS – Chair
- Professor Caitlin Bradley, BCHS
- Sr Vice Provost Academic Affairs, Professor Deb Franko, Ex Officio Member
- Professor Seth Hutchinson, Khoury
- Professor Kristen Mathieu Gonzalez, BCHS – Co Chair
- Professor Jordan Theriault-Brown, COS

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Shared Governance Committee

- Professor Laurel Ahnert, CAMD
- Professor John Bai, DMSB - Chair
- Professor Tim Dransfield, COS
- Professor Felix Muzny, Khoury
- Professor Roger Sparks, MCNU
- Professor Yiyuan Sun, BCHS

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Faculty Handbook Committee

- Professor Peter Desnoyers, Khoury
- Professor Costas Panagopoulos, CSSH
- Professor Oyinda Oyelaran, COS – Co-Chair
- Professor Marketa Rejtar, BCHS – Chair
- Professor Kristin Stankard, BCHS
- Professor Laney Strange, Khoury

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Financial Affairs Committee

- Professor Debra Copeland, BCHS
- Professor Richard Herron, DMSB
- Professor Apoo Koticha, DMSB
- Professor Srinivas Sridhar, COS
- Professor Joshua Stefanik, BCHS
- Professor John Wihbey, CAMD

New Business

Meeting Procedures

- Robert's Rules govern meeting procedures
- Agendas & minutes e-mailed one week prior to meetings
- Link available from facultysenate@northeastern.edu
- All faculty welcome to attend
- Voting is restricted to senators and appointed administrators

Speaking Protocol

- Use raise hand function & wait to be recognized
- Non-senators may speak after being recognized by a senator
- To encourage broad participation, please allow others to speak before raising your hand to speak again

Managing Meeting Time

- To help us stay on schedule, please save questions that are unrelated to agenda items for the New Business section
- During New Business, you may raise any concerns not covered elsewhere on the agenda
- Topics requiring extended discussion will be considered by SAC for future agendas
- Provost Q & A remains open for any questions

Approval of April 8, 2026, Meeting Minutes

- The minutes have been distributed. Are there any corrections or additions?

SAC Summary

- Since our last senate meeting, SAC has met 2 times, hosted 1 Elected Senators meeting and met with the Provost once.

Questions?

Provost's Report

