Faculty Senate Meeting
November 4, 2026

Agenda and SAC Report

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I. Call to Order

II. Approval of October 21, 2026, Meeting Minutes

III. Reports

SAC Report

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Since our October 21 Faculty Senate Meeting, SAC has:

- Met twice
- Met once with the Provost

Meeting Procedures and Speaking Protocol

Robert's Rules govern

Goal: encourage broad, inclusive participation, especially when discussing controversial topics. Strong opinions and respectful discussion are not mutually exclusive. Please:

- Raise hand & wait to be recognized (don't speak out of turn)
- Keep questions direct and tone respectful
- Allow others to speak before raising your hand to speak again
- Stay on topic: save questions that are unrelated to agenda items for New Business

Provost's Report

Questions and Discussion

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IV. Academic Proposals

University Graduate Curriculum Committee Programs in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences

Presented by: Tracy Robinson-Wood, Professor of Applied Psychology and Program Director of the Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology

Resolutions to be moved by: Krystal Hinerman, SAC Member and Bouvé Senator

A. **Resolution #1:** Be it resolved that the University establish the Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, MS (Charlotte) in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences as approved by the University Graduate Curriculum Committee 30 September 2026 (16-0-0).

B. **Resolution #2:** Be it resolved that the University establish the Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, MS (Miami) in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences.

C. **Resolution #3:** Be it resolved that the University establish the Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling, MS (Seattle) in the Bouvé College of Health Sciences.

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V. Presentations

A. **Mark Jannoni**, Assistant Vice President, University Equity and Compliance and Title IX Coordinator
A Review of Northeastern's Response to Sexual Violence and Discrimination

B. **Ruben Galindo**, Chief of Police
Members of the Command Staff:
Lt. Wendy Lynch
Lt. Allison Piantedosi

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V. Presentations (cont.)

C. Preliminary Report of the Financial Affairs Committee
Ed Wertheim, DMSB, Co-Chair
Rasika Bhalerao, Khoury
Debra Copeland, BCHS, Co-Chair
Deniz Erdogmus, COE
Srinivas Sridhar, COS

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Resolution #4 To be moved by Aatmesh Shrivastava, SAC Member and College of Engineering Senator

WHEREAS, Northeastern full and associate professors earn substantially less than their peers at Boston University and Boston College, with full professors trailing by more than $26,000 (AAUP, 2026-27); and

WHEREAS, Northeastern faculty pay has fallen approximately 13.5% below 2019 levels in real terms, a steeper decline than the natioonal average of approximately 9.5% (AAUP, 2025-26); and

WHEREAS, the University remains financially strong, with an A1 Moody's rating, endowment growth from $1.54 billion to $2.11 billion since FY2021, and estimated operating surpluses of $96 million in FY2026 and $115 million in FY2027 (Northeastern Financial Statements); and

WHEREAS, a 4% merit pool, costing an estimated $34 million above the nominal increase, would only halt further erosion of faculty purchasing power, not reverse it (BLS, Boston-area CPI, October 2026);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate recommends that the FY2028 University Budget include a 4% faculty merit raise pool.

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VI. New Business

Resolution #5: Academic Proposal: University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Program in the College of Arts, Media and Design (Mark Sivak, CAMD Senator)

Be it resolved that the University establish the Bachelor of Science – Creative Industries, BS (NY) in the College of Arts, Media and Design as approved by the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee 21 October 2026 (19-0-0).

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VII. Other New Business

VIII. Adjournment