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Agenda

April 22, 2021, 3:30 pm
Online: MS Teams

Items in **bold print** are items that require action by the Faculty Senate. Other items are for information only.

Special Request: At the request of the Senate's Executive Committee (fsec@valdosta.edu), any actions sent to the President (kfdavidson@valdosta.edu) for possible inclusion in the Senate agenda should be accompanied by a written document with the rationale and purpose of the decision. The Executive Committee requests that these documents be submitted via email as a Word.doc attachment(s).

For the benefit of record keeping, we ask that senators and visitors please identify themselves when speaking to an issue during the meeting. Please see the online participation guide below. All senators must sign the online attendance roster order to be counted as present. If you are serving as a senator's proxy or are attending as a guest, please place a note in the chat feature if it has not already been sent to Dr. Hoa Nguyen (hnguyen@valdosta.edu), as specified below.

Attendance link here:

<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.office.com%2FPages%2FResponsePage.aspx%3Fid%3DQNOIJbyKU0C0vdwSEygDU4DGNC7nE4IBIElqpw2zy6BUQUVDSUdBR1JLN0xCOEUxRVMYRTVBTThWRS4u&data=02%7C01%7Ckfdavidson%40valdosta.edu%7C915f9f91bedb4>

1. Call to Order – Kelly Davidson
 - a. Guidance for online meetings (Attachment A)
2. Reading of proxies obtained prior to the meeting or through online attendance form; Request additional proxies for those not given from Senators in attendance – Hoa Nguyen

Note: Please send an email to Hoa Nguyen (hnnguyen@valdosta.edu) regarding proxies a minimum of one (1) week prior to the scheduled Faculty Senate meeting or as soon as possible if an unexpected absence needs to occur.

3. Approval of the minutes of the March 2021 meeting of the Faculty Senate.

<http://www.valdosta.edu/administration/faculty-senate/minutes.php> (See link here for minutes for all Faculty Senate meetings). – Peggy Moch

4. Resolution to honor Dr. Maggie Viverette (Attachment B)

5. Updates from President’s Office: Dr. Carvajal and/or Dr. Smith

6. Old & Unfinished Business

a. Statutory Committee Reports

i. Academic Committee (fs-stat-ac@valdosta.edu) – Sheri Gravett; Find agendas and minutes here:

<https://www.valdosta.edu/academics/registrar/academic-committee.php>

ii. Committee on Committees (fs-stat-coco@valdosta.edu) – Nicole Alemanne

iii. Faculty Affairs (fs-stat-fa@valdosta.edu) – Daesang Kim

iv. Faculty Grievance Committee (fs-stat-fgc@valdosta.edu) – Mary Block

v. Institutional Planning Committee (fs-stat-ipc@valdosta.edu) – Taralynn Hartsell

b. Meeting minutes from the various committees should be sent to

fsec@valdosta.edu **AND** to archives@valdosta.edu with “Archives Faculty Senate Papers” in the subject line. Please label minutes documents as shown in the following examples:

i. Technology_Minutes_04-29-2020

ii. Academic_Honors_and_Scholarship_Minutes_08-28-2020

Thank you for your assistance in getting and keeping our records up to date.

7. New Business

a. Standing Committee Reports:

i. Academic Honors & Scholarships (fs-stand-ahs@valdosta.edu) – Fanhao Nie

ii. Academic Scheduling & Procedures (fs-stand-asp@valdosta.edu) – Ian Anderson

1. Final Exam Scheduling (Attachment C)

2. Academic Calendar 2021-2026 (Attachment D)

iii. Athletic Committee (fs-stand-ac@valdosta.edu) – Mallory Lane

iv. Diversity and Equity Committee (fs-stand-dec@valdosta.edu) – Jiyeon Jung & Hoa Nguyen

v. Educational Policies (fs-stand-ep@valdosta.edu) – Meagan Arrastia-Chisholm

vi. Environmental Issues (fs-stand-ei@valdosta.edu) – Fred Knowles

vii. Faculty Scholarship (fs-stand-fs@valdosta.edu) – Rudy Prine

- viii. Internationalization and Globalization (fs-stand-igc@valdosta.edu) – Benjamin Harper
- ix. Library Affairs (fs-stand-la@valdosta.edu) – Diane Holliman
- x. Student Affairs (fs-stand-sa@valdosta.edu) – Brian Ward
- xi. Technology Committee (fs-stand-tc@valdosta.edu) – Sakhavat Mammadov

8. General Discussion

- a. Executive Committee Elections

9. Adjournment

Attachment A: Guidance for online meetings

During this exceptional time, all Faculty Senate meetings will be held online using Microsoft Teams. The information to connect will be sent over email. This is an open meeting.

To access the meeting easily, use the TEAMS link found in the email containing the agenda or through your calendar link (Outlook).

For the benefit of record keeping, we ask that senators and visitors please identify themselves when speaking to an issue during the meeting. Please note the following:

1. All senators must sign the roster in order to be counted present. We will be using an online roster which can be found by using [this attendance link](#) (also copied below) on the day of the meeting. If you have a senator's proxy, please include this information using the online form, in addition to emailing Hoa Nguyen (hnguyen@valdosta.edu) at least one week in advance as per Senate By-Laws.

Attendance link:

<https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.office.com%2FPages%2FResponsePage.aspx%3Fid%3DQNOIJbyKU0C0vdwSEygDU4DGNC7nE4IBIELqpw2zy6BUQUVDSUdBR1JLN0xCOEUxRVMyRTVBTThWRS4u&data=02%7C01%7Ckfdavidson%40valdosta.edu%7C915f9f91bedb42b54c3c08d8504853db%7C25a5d3408abc4053b4bddc1213280353%7C0%7C0%7C637347618859330617&sdata=9sBRCiJJxSVI9VdpNEBuf4xoW5RbYl2mC1UU9d1cNg0%3D&reserved=0>

2. Given the new online format, the following points are very important for record-keeping and parliamentary rules:

- a. If you would like to join the online discussion, use the “raise hand” feature. The Executive Committee will work to ensure that everyone is able to participate in a timely and organized manner. **Please do not use the chat function to pose questions unless otherwise directed due to technical difficulties by the meeting coordinator or IT.** Doing so can create confusion and timing for responses.
- b. If you are not actively speaking, please mute your microphone in order to avoid feedback and/or background noise interruptions.
- c. When a vote is called use the “raise hand” feature to vote. If you have a proxy, you will need to type the name and vote using the chat feature. Please keep in mind that the online function takes time. We will call for votes in one category and count “raised hands,” then ask for proxies through the chat feature. After the votes have been officially counted, you will need to “lower your hand” so that we

can call for votes in subsequent categories. Please only use the chat feature for proxy voting. We thank you for your patience as we accurately count all votes.

- d. It is encouraged that all senators and possible attendees contact VSU IT to address any connection concerns before the meeting.

Attachment B: Resolution to honor Dr. Maggie Viverette

WHEREAS, it is the stated mission of Valdosta State University to “To expand opportunities for our students, employees, and varied community members by promoting social justice and service learning,” and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate and its members are charged with the responsibility to honor and uphold the mission of Valdosta State University, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Maggie J. Viverette, in her position as Director of the Office of Social Equity, has consistently upheld the mission of Valdosta State University to create and support inclusive learning experiences in the classroom and community, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Maggie J. Viverette consistently exceeded all expectations to create positive and sustainable change for students, faculty, staff, and community members, during her years of service at Valdosta State University, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Maggie J. Viverette’s dedication to the work of equity, diversity, and inclusion for all stakeholders led to enduring connections and collaboration between varied offices and organizations across the Valdosta State University campus and in the surrounding community, and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, the Valdosta State University Faculty Senate recognizes and honors the work and lasting impact of Dr. Maggie J. Viverette for all members of the campus community by providing recognition in her name to be determined by the Valdosta State University President.

SO RESOLVED, this _____ day of _____, 2021

Attachment C: Final Exam Schedule (DRAFT)

M/W/F CLASSES

8:00 am – 8:50 am	Wednesday, May 5 th	8:00 am – 10:00 am
9:00 am – 9:50 am	Friday, May 7 th	8:00 am – 10:00 am
10:00 am – 10:50 am	Tuesday, May 4 th	10:15 am – 12:15 pm
11:00 am – 11:50 am	Thursday, May 6 th	10:15 am – 12:15 pm
12:00 pm – 12:50 pm	Friday, May 7 th	10:15 am – 12:15 pm
1:00 pm – 1:50 pm	Wednesday, May 5 th	12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
2:00 pm – 2:50 pm	Tuesday, May 4 th	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm

M/W CLASSES

8:00 am – 9:15 am	Wednesday, May 5 th	8:00 am – 10:00 am
9:30 am – 10:45 am	Friday, May 7 th	8:00 am – 10:00 am
11:00 am – 12:15 pm	Thursday, May 6 th	10:15 am – 12:15 pm
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Friday, May 7 th	10:15 am – 12:15 pm
2:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Tuesday, May 4 th	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
3:30 pm – 4:45 pm	Thursday, May 6 th	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
5:00 pm – 6:15 pm	Wednesday, May 5 th	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
6:30 pm – 7:45 pm	Friday, May 7 th	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
8:00 pm – 9:15 pm	Wednesday, May 5 th	7:15 pm – 9:15 pm

T/R CLASSES

8:00 am – 9:15 am	Tuesday, May 4 th	8:00 am – 10:00 am
9:30 am – 10:45 am	Thursday, May 6 th	8:00 am – 10:00 am
11:00 am – 12:15 pm	Wednesday, May 5 th	10:15 am – 12:15 pm
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Tuesday, May 4 th	12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
2:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Wednesday, May 5 th	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
3:30 pm – 4:45 pm	Friday, May 7 th	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
5:00 pm – 6:15 pm	Tuesday, May 4 th	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
6:30 pm – 7:45 pm	Thursday, May 6 th	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
8:00 pm – 9:15 pm	Thursday, May 6 th	7:15 pm – 9:15 pm

ONE EVENING A WEEK CLASSES

Tuesday

5:00 pm – 7:45 pm	Tuesday, May 4 th	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
6:30 pm – 9:15 pm	Thursday, May 6 th	5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Thursday

5:00 pm – 7:45 pm	Wednesday, May 5 th	9:30 pm – 11:30 pm
6:30 pm – 9:15 pm	Thursday, May 6 th	9:30 pm – 11:30 pm

SINGULAR EXAM PERIODS

Math 1111/COA **	Tuesday, May 4 th	7:15 am – 9:15 pm
Special Exam Period *	Tuesday, May 4 th	9:30 pm – 11:30 pm
Special Exam Period *	Wednesday, May 5 th	9:30 pm – 11:30 pm
Special Exam Period *	Thursday, May 6 th	9:30 pm – 11:30 pm
Make-Up Exam Period	Thursday, May 6 th	12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Make-Up Exam Period Friday, May 7th 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm

* Special Exam periods may be used by any department with prior approval by the VPAA

**Math 1111 students must not schedule a COA final during the Math 1111 final exam

Attachment D: Academic Calendar for 2021-2026 (DRAFT)

Fall 2021

Mon, Aug 16	First Class Day
Mon, Sep 6	Labor Day Holiday
Thur, Oct 7	Official Midterm
Mon – Tues, Oct 11 – 12	Fall Break
Wed – Fri, Nov 24 – 26	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Dec 6	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, Dec 7 – 10	Final Exams
Sat, Dec 11	Commencement Ceremony

Spring 2022

Mon, Jan 10	First Class Day
Mon, Jan 17	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Thur, Mar 3	Official Midterm
Mon – Fri, Mar 14 – 18	Spring Break
Mon, May 2	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, May 3 – 6	Final Exams
Sat, May 7	Commencement Ceremony

Summer 2022

Maymester (Summer I)

Thur, May 12	First Class Day – Maymester
Mon, May 23	Midterm
Mon, May 30	Memorial Day Holiday
Thur, June 2	Last Class Day
Fri, June 3	Final Exams

Summer II (Full Term)

Wed, June 8	First Class Day
Mon, July 4	Independence Day Holiday
Tues, July 5	Midterm
Tues, July 26	Last Class Day
Wed – Thur, July 27 – 28	Final Exams

Summer III

Wed, June 8	First Class Day
Mon, June 20	Midterm
Wed, June 29	Last Class Day
Thur, June 30	Final Exams

Summer IV

Wed, July 6	First Class Day
Fri, July 15	Midterm
Tues, July 26	Last Class Day
Thur, July 28	Final Exams

Academic Calendar for 2022 – 2023
Fall 2022

Mon, Aug 15	First Class Day
Mon, Sep 5	Labor Day Holiday
Thur, Oct 6	Official Midterm
Mon – Tues, Oct 10 – 11	Fall Break
Wed – Fri, Nov 23 – 25	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Dec 5	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, Dec 6 – 9	Final Exams
Sat, Dec 10	Commencement Ceremony

Spring 2023

Mon, Jan 9	First Class Day
Mon, Jan 16	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Thur, Mar 2	Official Midterm
Mon – Fri, Mar 13 – 17	Spring Break
Mon, May 1	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, May 2 – 5	Final Exams
Sat, May 6	Commencement Ceremony

Summer 2023

Maymester (Summer I)

Thur, May 11	First Class Day – Maymester
Mon, May 22	Midterm
Mon, May 29	Memorial Day Holiday
Thur, June 1	Last Class Day
Fri, June 2	Final Exams

Summer II (Full Term)

Wed, June 7	First Class Day
Mon, July 3	Midterm
Tues, July 4	Independence Day Holiday
Tues, July 25	Last Class Day
Wed – Thur, July 26 – 27	Final Exams

Summer III

Wed, June 7	First Class Day
Mon, June 19	Midterm
Wed, June 28	Last Class Day
Thur, June 29	Final Exams

Summer IV

Wed, July 5	First Class Day
Fri, July 14	Midterm
Tues, July 25	Last Class Day
Thur, July 27	Final Exams

Academic Calendar for 2023 – 2024
Fall 2023

Mon, Aug 14	First Class Day
Mon, Sep 4	Labor Day Holiday
Thur, Oct 5	Official Midterm
Mon – Tues, Oct 9 – 10	Fall Break
Wed – Fri, Nov 22 – 24	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Dec 4	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, Dec 5 – 8	Final Exams
Sat, Dec 9	Commencement Ceremony

Spring 2024

Mon, Jan 8	First Class Day
Mon, Jan 15	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Thur, Feb 29	Official Midterm
Mon – Fri, Mar 11 – 15	Spring Break
Mon, April 29	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, April 30 - May 3	Final Exams
Sat, May 4	Commencement Ceremony

Summer 2024
Maymester (Summer I)

Thur, May 9	First Class Day – Maymester
Mon, May 20	Midterm
Mon, May 27	Memorial Day Holiday
Thur, May 30	Last Class Day
Fri, May 31	Final Exams

Summer II (Full Term)

Wed, June 5	First Class Day
Mon, July 1	Midterm
Thur, July 4	Independence Day Holiday
Tues, July 23	Last Class Day
Wed – Thur, July 24 – 25	Final Exams

Summer III

Wed, June 5	First Class Day
Mon, June 17	Midterm
Wed, June 26	Last Class Day
Thur, June 27	Final Exams

Summer IV

Wed, July 3	First Class Day
Thur, July 4	Independence Day Holiday
Fri, July 14	Midterm
Tues, July 23	Last Class Day
Thur, July 25	Final Exams

Academic Calendar for 2024 – 2025
Fall 2024

Mon, Aug 19	First Class Day
Mon, Sep 2	Labor Day Holiday
Thur, Oct 10	Official Midterm
Mon – Tues, Oct 14 – 15	Fall Break
Wed – Fri, Nov 27 – 29	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Dec 9	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, Dec 10 – 13	Final Exams
Sat, Dec 14	Commencement Ceremony

Spring 2025

Mon, Jan 13	First Class Day
Mon, Jan 20	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Thur, Mar 6	Official Midterm
Mon – Fri, Mar 17 – 21	Spring Break
Mon, May 5	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, May 6 – 9	Final Exams
Sat, May 10	Commencement Ceremony

Summer 2025

Maymester (Summer I)

Thur, May 15	First Class Day – Maymester
Mon, May 26	Memorial Day Holiday
Mon, May 26	Midterm
Thur, June 5	Last Class Day
Fri, June 6	Final Exams

Summer II (Full Term)

Wed, June 11	First Class Day
Fri, July 4	Independence Day Holiday
Mon, July 7	Midterm
Tues, July 29	Last Class Day
Wed – Thur, July 30 – 31	Final Exams

Summer III

Wed, June 11	First Class Day
Mon, June 23	Midterm
Wed, July 2	Last Class Day
Thur, July 3	Final Exams

Summer IV

Wed, July 9	First Class Day
Fri, July 18	Midterm
Tues, July 29	Last Class Day
Thur, July 31	Final Exams

Academic Calendar for 2025 – 2026
Fall 2025

Mon, Aug 18	First Class Day
Mon, Sep 1	Labor Day Holiday
Thur, Oct 9	Official Midterm
Mon – Tues, Oct 13 – 14	Fall Break
Wed – Fri, Nov 26 – 28	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Dec 8	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, Dec 9 – 12	Final Exams
Sat, Dec 13	Commencement Ceremony

Spring 2026

Mon, Jan 12	First Class Day
Mon, Jan 19	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Thur, Mar 5	Official Midterm
Mon – Fri, Mar 16 – 20	Spring Break
Mon, May 4	Last Class Day
Tues – Fri, May 5 – 8	Final Exams
Sat, May 9	Commencement Ceremony

Summer 2026
Maymester (Summer I)

Thur, May 14	First Class Day – Maymester
Mon, May 25	Memorial Day Holiday
Mon, May 25	Midterm
Thur, June 4	Last Class Day
Fri, June 5	Final Exams

Summer II (Full Term)

Wed, June 10	First Class Day
Thur, July 2	Midterm
Tues, July 28	Last Class Day
Wed – Thur, July 29 – 30	Final Exams

Summer III

Wed, June 10	First Class Day
Fri, June 19	Midterm
Thur, July 2	Last Class Day
Fri, July 3	Final Exams

Summer IV

Wed, July 8	First Class Day
Fri, July 17	Midterm
Tues, July 28	Last Class Day
Thur, July 30	Final Exams