LSU Faculty Senate A&M Resolution 22-04

Amendment to Article III of the Louisiana State University Faculty Senate Bylaws

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Explanation of changes to the resolution as read in January:

In the discussion following the first reading of this resolution, several Senators expressed their concern that if all invited speakers were placed at the end of the meeting, it might be difficult to convince upper-level administrators to appear before the Senate; hence the changes that appear below in BOLD. It is important to note that any Senator can move to re-order the agenda at the start of the meeting; such a motion requires a majority to pass.

Whereas, many of the Faculty Senate’s most important purposes are fulfilled in consideration of old and new business; and

Whereas, the current Order of Business for Faculty Senate meetings places consideration of business as the last two items on the agenda; and

Whereas, a pattern has developed of Faculty Senate meetings concluding without due consideration, and in many cases with no consideration at all, of business;

Therefore, be it resolved that Article III of the LSU Faculty Senate Bylaws, which currently reads:

1. Registration and recognition of attendance for each member or alternate and guests for recording in the meeting minutes.
2. Recognition of individuals having public comments on agenda item(s).
3. Approval or revision of minutes.
4. President’s report.
5. Committee report(s) and invited speaker(s).
6. Agenda business item(s)
7. Introduction of new business

be amended to read:

1. Registration and recognition of attendance for each member or alternate and guests for recording in the meeting minutes.
2. Recognition of individuals having public comments on agenda item(s).
3. Approval or revision of minutes.
4. President’s report.
5. **Upper administrator’s report and question time (if applicable)**
6. Old business
7. New business
8. Committee report(s) and invited speaker(s).