

**LSU Faculty Senate Policy Committee Meeting**  
**October 4, 2024**  
**11:00 AM, Room W310 Howe-Russell Kniffen Geosciences Building,**  
**Louisiana State University**

Minutes

**Committee Members in Attendance**

Ravi Rau  
Jeffrey Roland, Secretary  
Jonathan Snow, Chair  
Daniel Tirone

**Committee Members Absent**

None

A regular meeting of the LSU Faculty Senate Policy Committee convened at 11:05 AM on Friday October 4, 2024 in room W310 of the Howe-Russell Kniffen Geosciences Building on the LSU campus in Baton Rouge. All four committee members were present and there were no guests and no public comments. It was noted that additional committee members representing the arts and professional schools would be desirable. Minutes from the prior meeting on April 19, 2024 were adopted following a motion by Rau. (Roland abstained as he was not present at the April 19 meeting.)

Committee first discussed coming changes to P M-23. The Board of Supervisors is expected to make changes to PM-23 and Academic Affairs would like the committee to review those changes with attention to how they may necessitate revisions to PS-36NT. Snow wondered whether instructors should be required to have terminal degrees.

Discussion of PS-36NT raised the question of review in cases of non-reappointment and the effect of this on removal of AAUP censure of LSU. AAUP seems to want automatic review of non-reappointments. What do peer schools do? Is the AAUP asking more of LSU than it does of other schools? Perhaps we can carve out an exception for cases where non-reappointment appears to involve infringement of academic freedom.

Committee then held elections for Chair and Secretary. Snow and Roland were, respectively, elected to these positions.

Committee then discussed which issues to address this year: (i) PM-23/PS-36NT; (ii) Senate bylaws, specifically committee structure; (iii) bylaws for other faculty shared governance organizations (e.g., the Graduate Council and Research and Scholarship Committee); (iv) policy committees for each academic unit and bylaws for these committees; (v) Policy on Policies; (vi) the situation with respect to PS-50 (it's abrupt retraction without consulting faculty and the need for a replacement); and (vii) current status of the revised PS-104

produced last year. In connection with (v), Ryan Landry will be invited to speak with the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 12:06 PM following a motion by Rau which passed unanimously.

Jeffrey Roland, Secretary