

**Washburn University
General Faculty Minutes
November 11, 2020**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Farley called the meeting to order at 3:33 via zoom.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2020 General Faculty meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. OPENING REMARKS

A. From the President

1. President Farley took the opportunity to honor those who have served in the military on Veterans day.
2. Faculty were updated regarding the budgets for 2020-2021 and 2021-2022. Funding for Washburn University comes from three sources: the state, sales tax, and tuition. During the pandemic, other moneys being used come from the CARES Act and frozen positions and travel.
3. The number of cases of Coronavirus in Shawnee County and on campus have increased in the last few weeks. Student life, in coordination with the student health center, are doing much to keep the community safe.
4. The foundation and alumni association have been doing due diligence to raise funds for WU. Funding for the new law school has been raised; the project should start in the spring of 2021. These offices have also provided for string lights to be hung on campus to create a winter atmosphere for holiday activities.

B. From the Vice President for Academic Affairs

1. Dr. Mazachek echoed President Farley's remarks regarding the great work being done by student health, Jennifer Ball and team, as well as the faculty across campus. Faculty were encouraged to reach out and make sure that students are taking time to register for courses before the winter break.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Requiring General Faculty Approval

[A.21-2 B.A.in Musical Theatre](#)

Item was moved to approve, seconded and passed with no votes against.

Information Items

[A.1-1 Temporary Academic Policy changes due to Extraordinary Circumstances of COVID19 for Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 Semesters](#)

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Apieron will still be happening this spring, discussions to come soon
- The inaugural Homeland Security Series, sponsored by alumni from the criminal justice department, begins this week.
- Homecoming activities will be taking place; come support the students.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30